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### NO EMPTY PROMISES.

"Ours is a policy of sobriety, which we can put through, of nursing our trade into a better condition, of looking after the health and education of our people, a policy which goes into every home and every cottage in the country."

This was the concluding passage in Mr. Stanley Baldwin's address at the Drury Lane Theatre yesterday, in announcing the Conservative Party's programme for the General Election. The Premier dealt shortly with the Liberals claim to be the party of promise, saying that the Liberals could promise, but the Conservatives were performers.

A number of schemes for producing settled and stable conditions in industry and agriculture were outlined, and Mr. Baldwin promised that, if returned, the Government would launch on a big campaign of slum clearance.

### SAFEGUARDING OF INDUSTRIES.

London, Apr. 18.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister and leader of the Conservative Party, delivered his speech outlining the Tory General Election policy at a crowded meeting of Conservatives in the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, to-day.

He began by referring to the statement of Mr. Lloyd George that the Liberal Party was the party of promise.

"We are performers," said Mr. Baldwin, "and while others are searching for policies to meet an emergency which is not likely to arise, we, on our part, have been immersed in the great struggle for years, and by a continuance of the policy in which we are engaged we shall continue the process that is now going on—that of conquering unemployment."

**New Atmosphere.**

"In the new atmosphere which has existed since the General Strike, the masters and the men have been getting together. The result of that new spirit has been to put fresh life into our industrialism."

"We are recovering from the world our competitive power; our trade is definitely improving and provided that no cataclysm of any kind in the way of a sudden reversal or alteration of the industrial policy in this country occurs, that progress will be maintained and improvement will continue to follow."

**Solid Foundations.**

"So solid are the foundations on which British industry now rests, that half a million of the surplus of the unemployed have already been absorbed in industry, and I have every hope, given the conditions I have just mentioned, that the figures will shrink in time to normality."

"Our efforts will be directed, all the time, as they have been, to getting men into permanent employment rather than making use of palliatives."

"We are trying, by arrangements with the Dominion Governments, to make it easier for men and women to go to the Dominions Overseas. We are trying, by transference, to get men from the black spots into districts where they can get work."

**Stable Conditions.**

"We decided definitely against schemes that would lead to large borrowings because we believed they ran the risk of causing inflation in the country."

"What industry wanted to-day more than anything else were settled and stable conditions. The de-rating scheme had removed from overhead charges on industry between twenty and thirty millions sterling. It had given the greatest assistance that had ever been given to industry in this country."

**Policy for the Cottage.**

In conclusion, Mr. Baldwin asked that the Conservative Party should be judged by what it had performed. He would not and could not promise more than he could perform.

"Ours is a policy of sobriety which we can put through, of nursing our trade into a better condition, of looking after the health and education of our people, and particularly, of our women and children, a policy which goes into every home and every cottage throughout the country. From end to end it is a

## NO MENINGITIS EPIDEMIC.

### SPIRITED HONGKONG DENIAL.

### MANILA REPORT DUBBED AS "PURE NONSENSE."

### ALARMING STORY.

Alarming statements in the Manila press just to hand to the effect that Hongkong has been hit by a heavy wave of cerebro-spinal meningitis and that a heavy death-roll has been reported by the Medical Officer of Health are grossly inaccurate, according to Dr. H. A. Fawcett, who was interviewed by a representative of the Telegraph this morning.

A semi-official statement published in the Manila Bulletin is to the effect that the meningitis epidemic has spread to Hongkong from Shanghai and is causing a heavy toll in the Colony both amongst the foreign and native population.

### "Pure Nonsense."

This, Dr. Fawcett states, is pure nonsense. The Philippine Health Service states, according to the Manila newspapers, that they have received this information from Dr. Fawcett, but the latter states that he knows nothing of the Philippine Health Service and is not concerned about it. As a matter of fact, he sees no reason why that service should concern itself about Hongkong.

True, he said, there has been a mild epidemic in Shanghai but there was no question of even a mild epidemic in Hongkong. Normally there were a couple of cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis in Hongkong every month, but that did not constitute an epidemic, and as for the heavy toll of life, well, cerebro-spinal meningitis was looked upon by the medical profession as a fatal disease, and death occurred in the majority of cases.

### Not Epidemic.

Never has the disease reached epidemic proportions in the Colony, stated Dr. Fawcett. During the past four months there have been only twelve cases, including two last week, both of which were imported from China. In the whole of last year there were only 21 cases.

The disease is still prevalent in England, despite all the precautions taken. Infection took place before the trouble was apparent, and spread, as a rule, through the nose and throat.

Especially careful had one to be in schools and barracks, and Dr. Fawcett added that while there was no question of an epidemic in Hongkong, precautions were naturally being taken to see that the troops were not infected.

### Small-Pox Denial.

Further reports that Hongkong is still seriously infected by small-pox were also repudiated by the Medical Officer. The cases and deaths reported, he said, are now only about normal.

In the course of his statement, which was headed "Hongkong Hit By Meningitis," the Manila Bulletin not only asserted that the disease was causing a heavy toll, but that deaths from small-pox were on the increase.

The report concluded:—"Local health officials account the spread of meningitis epidemic in Hongkong to the atmospheric condition existing in the locality which they declare is favourable for the growth of meningitis germs. In the Philippines, the hot climate prevalent nowadays will kill the germs, they claim."

### "SOME RAIN."

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over Japan and relatively low over the Eastern Sea and the Gulf of Tongking. Gradients continue to be slight. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—Easterly or variable winds, moderate; cloudy, some rain.

policy which you know will be carried out to the utmost of our ability, and I will promise nothing more.—British Wireless.

## WATER SHORTAGE IS SERIOUS.

### HONGKONG & KOWLOON MAY BE RATIONED.

### ECONOMY URGED.

The continued absence of rain is creating a serious situation so far as the Colony's water supply is concerned, and unless a satisfactory fall occurs within the next eleven days, both Hongkong and Kowloon will be placed on rations.

This morning, there was a slight fall, which seemed to give promise of more to come, but unfortunately expectations were not borne out.

The Government plan for further restrictions is on the lines of cutting off the supply daily from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., and this system may be put into operation as from May 1st.

Meanwhile, the public is appealed to by the Government to co-operate in the prevention of waste. The following notification has been issued by Mr. H. T. Greasy, the Water Authority, to-day:

"The quantity of water in the storage reservoirs has fallen so low that further restrictive measures are under consideration, and should an adequate rainfall not occur before the end of April the water supply of Hongkong and Kowloon will be cut off daily between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. from the 1st May."

"The most rigid economy in the consumption of water is now essential, and the co-operation of the public in preventing waste is again earnestly requested."

## DRY LAW FANATICS AGAIN ACTIVE.

### DIPLOMATS TO BE ASKED TO REFRAIN FROM DRINKING?

### AMERICANS ABROAD.

Washington, Apr. 18.

The latest development in the "Dry" campaign is the introduction into the Senate of a Bill requesting President Hoover to ask all foreign diplomats to refrain from serving or using alcoholic liquor at their Embassies.

The mover of this remarkable Bill is Senator Blaine, who also asks that public officials in Washington and abroad should refrain from drinking with the representatives of a foreign Government.

Senator Blaine has also submitted a resolution directed against the Transatlantic liner "Leviathan" and other American vessels to make the Prohibition Law applicable to vessels flying the American flag on the high seas.

Only recently, an order was made in connection with the supply of alcoholic liquors to the Embassies prohibiting an American transport firm from taking the consignments from the ship to the Embassies.

The Embassies are now required to provide their own liquors for this purpose.—Reuters American Service.

## FARM RELIEF IN THE UNITED STATES.

### THINLY-DISGUISED FORM OF SUBSIDY.

Washington, Apr. 18.

The House of Representatives to-day began the debate on the Farm Relief Bill and another agricultural Bill. A Measure has also been introduced into the Senate.

Both Bills provide for a Federal Farm Board, and place at its disposal \$500,000,000.

The Senate Measure proposes that the Board be authorized to employ an Export Debiture Plan, which is a form of thinly disguised subsidy, and which is likely to provoke much opposition.—Reuters American Service.

### HOME FOOTBALL.

### PLYMOUTH GO DOWN AT NEWPORT.

London, Apr. 18.

Playing at Newport to-day, in the Third Division, Southern Section, Newport County defeated Plymouth Argyle by the only goal scored.—Reuters.

## SEVERE FIGHTING NEAR ICHANG.

### WUHAN LEADERS WILL NOT SURRENDER.

### NANKING GUNBOATS ENGAGED IN THE BATTLE.

### LI CHAI-SUM'S FUTURE.

Shanghai, Apr. 18.

Severe fighting between two Nanking Divisions on the one hand and the strugglers of General Tao Chun on the other hand has broken out in the region of Ichang. After a whole day of fighting a part of the Wuhan remnants surrendered.

It is now understood that a representative of General Tao Chun is negotiating with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at Hankow for peace.

Generals Hu Tsung-tao, Yeh Chi, and Tao Chun are all in Shasi, whilst their troops are centred at Shasi and Ichang.

Vice-Admiral Chen Shao-kuei, has arrived near Shasi on the gunboat "Ham Fung" and it is reported that this vessel and others will bombard Shasi if the

## TO EVACUATE CHANGTSEH FOREIGNERS.

### H.M.S. Widgeon Party to the Rescue.

### TUG NOW ON THE WAY.

Changsha, Apr. 18.

A shallow draught tug, manned by Lieutenant Ship-worth and men from H.M.S. Widgeon, has left Changsha in an endeavour to evacuate the British subjects and other foreigners at Changsha.—Naval Wireless.

A Reuter's message received yesterday afternoon stated:—"Hostilities have ceased at Changtseh, and the city is occupied by Tan Tao-yuan. Anxiety regarding foreigners have eased considerably."

### Wuhan generals decline to submit.

A Naval Wireless message from Shasi stated that the Nationalist forces are reported to be seven miles off Shasi, Chinese gunboats already being engaged. Fighting is reported to have been constant during the night of April 7-18 round Ichang on both sides of the river.

### Li Chai-sum to Go Abroad?

Nanking, Apr. 18.

Marshal Li Chai-sum, who still remains a virtual prisoner of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at Tangshan, Nanking, is reported to have received a letter from Marshal Chiang in which it is suggested that the best course for the Kwangsi leader to adopt in the view of the quarrel with the Central Government would be for them to pursue their studies abroad.

It is also stated that Marshal Li Chai-sum has sent the letter to Kwangsi for the consideration of General Li Chung-yeu and General Pei Chung-hui, with a covering letter, to the following effect:—"As our services are no longer required by the National Government, it is time for us to shift the responsibility to others."

### Ready to Submit.

"These are the very words we have used repeatedly as a hint to the Kuomintang extremists to leave the political stage in China. We are now faced with the same reality and there appears to be no alternative but to accept."

"General Wang Shao-hung, for many years our sympathiser and friend, has for a long time devoted his attention solely to the development of Kwangsi Province, and it is our earnest wish that the Central Government will continue her trust and faith in General Wang Shao-hung."

"From our friend and colleague, General Wang, I hope to see the realisation of further reconstruction work in Kwangsi. The success of General Wang in developing the country will compensate our people for the mistakes we have made."

## GALE SWEEPS OVER CANTON.

### FEARED CONSIDERABLE LOSS OF LIFE.

### MANY SHIPS ASHORE.

Most unusual at the time of the year, a severe squall swept over Canton and vicinity yesterday, causing much damage and, it is feared, considerable loss of life, mainly amongst boatpeople.

Steamers arriving from Canton report that it could not be ascertained from the river how much damage was caused in the city, although it is believed that property suffered to a considerable extent. A big matchless theatre on the shore was completely destroyed. On the river, numerous vessels were seen ashore.

As far as can be gathered, a terrific gale, accompanied by heavy rain, suddenly developed at about 3 p.m. yesterday and passed over Canton, leaving a trail of wreckage behind. Many lightly built structures were blown away, while sampans either capsized or smashed against one another, throwing their occupants into the river. Some were saved but the loss of life is believed to have been considerable.

When a Hongkong-Canton steamer passed Whampoa at about 5 p.m. four vessels were seen to have capsized, these being a Chinese passenger boat, understood to be capable of carrying about 300 passengers, two paddle steamers and a big lighter. According to a report, these craft left Canton at about 2.30 p.m. with many passengers on board.

Further down the river, a large salt junk was seen on one side of the river with her mast blown away, while a little distance from this boat was a steam launch also ashore. It appears that the launch had been towing the junk, from which she was separated by the force of the wind.

Along the river, several other boats were seen to have either capsized or blown ashore. In the latter category were three cargo boats, the occupants of which were busy bailing out water.

## NEW JOCKEY CLUB RULING.

### AN IMPORTANT BREAK FROM TRADITION.

### NOMINATORS' DEATHS.

London, Apr. 18.

A most important break from tradition has been approved by the Jockey Club, following the successful action by Mr. Edgar Wallace, the famous author, regarding the recovery of forfeits.

The decision was taken at the annual financial meeting of the Jockey Club at Newmarket, a motion being passed, under which for races will not be void on the death of the nominator.

This alteration to the rules is the sequel to the friendly action brought by Mr. Edgar Wallace, after being carried to the Court of Appeal, established that forfeits can be recovered.

There have been many instances of famous horses which have been prevented from competing in important races owing to the deaths of their nominators.

The Derby winner, Call Boy, is a case in point. Among the races in which Call Boy was prevented from competing was the St. Leger. The decision will give general satisfaction.—Reuters.

## CAPTAIN DEWAR, OF ROYAL OAK.

### APPOINTED IN COMMAND OF IRON DUKE.

London, Apr. 18.

Captain Kenneth G. Dewar, formerly of H.M.S. Royal Oak, who was dismissed his ship in connexion with the band incident, has been appointed to the command of H.M.S. Iron Duke.

The appointment is to date from May 11th, and is one of a list issued by the Admiralty to-day.—British Wireless.

## STARTLING NEWS FROM PARIS.

### REPARATION PARLEY BREAKDOWN.

### GERMANS REFUSE TO BUDGE FROM THEIR OFFER.

### EXPERTS MAY WIND UP

Paris, Apr. 18.

Consternation has been caused by a complete rupture in the negotiations at the Reparations Conference. The German delegates have taken up an uncompromising attitude and have refused to pay a cent more than their offer of Gold Marks 1,650,000,000 for 37 years.

The future of the Conference is problematical, though it is learned that no stone will be left unturned to overcome the present difficulties. In the meantime, it is reported that the German delegation has withdrawn.

### Wide Divergence.

The exact nature of the German offer was not officially disclosed until to-day, though it accords with the hint made yesterday. The demand of the creditor nations is believed to be the payment for 68 years of an annuity of Marks 2,200,000,000.

The width of the divergence is best shown by the totals which are:

Creditor demands:	Mks.
127,600,000,000.	
Germany's offer:	Mks. 61,050,000,000.

The counter-proposals were submitted by Dr. Schacht, the head of the German delegation to-day, and in spite of a long discussion, he refused to consider the question of an increase in the annuities either in amount or number of years.

### German Adamant.

Accordingly, it is understood, he will no longer participate in the further meetings of the Experts of the creditor nations.

It is officially stated that the Reparations Experts met for two hours in the morning and for three hours in the afternoon.

The German was courteous, but adamant, and refused to consider the payment of another pfennig, hence the complete deadlock.

### Conference to Fall?

There will be a plenary meeting of the Experts to-morrow when, if no further hope of an agreement can be entertained, the Committee will wind up.

The failure of the Conference involves the continuance of the Dawes annuities which Germany declares she will be unable fully to continue.

### Later.

It is understood that the German delegation has decided to attend to-morrow's Plenary Session of the Reparations Committee.

### Political Matters.

It is also learned that Dr. Schacht, in presenting his counter-proposals to the creditor demand as a quid pro quo for yielding on the dual question of transfer and commercialisation, either a reduction in the amount of the annuity, or political compensation, such as the suppression of the Danzig corridor, or the return to Germany of certain of her former colonies.

Dr. Schacht asserted that Germany's well-being was affected by the loss of her colonial possessions.

The representatives of the creditor Powers unanimously decided that they were unable to enter into such political discussions.—Reuters.

### Berlin Views.

Berlin, Apr. 18.

The news from Paris has shocked official circles, but the gloom has been dispelled by news to the effect that the German delegation will continue negotiations.

The situation is regarded as being most critical, but it is hoped and believed that a way out will be found in the delegation's statement that Dr. Schacht was unable to increase the German payments on his own responsibility unless suggestions from the other side were offered. It is thought that Dr. Schacht has some alternative proposals.—Reuters.





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## A JOURNALIST IN QUARREL.

OFFICE BOY PROSECUTES  
EUROPEAN.

### CONFLICTING STORIES.

Differences of opinion among members of the staff of the *China Mail*, were disclosed yesterday afternoon during the hearing of a summons for assault brought by Mak Hung, an office-boy, against Mr. W. A. A. Donaldson, sub-editor.

Appearing for the office-boy, Mr. Leo D'Almada said that the facts briefly were these: Mak Hung as an office boy had numerous duties to perform, especially on Saturday. On Saturday afternoon, he commenced at 2 p.m., in the ordinary course of events finishing at 5 p.m., but sometimes extending until 7 o'clock. He had to work the manuscript or "copy" lift up and down. He had to clear desks, after each day's work, sharpen pencils, fill the inkstands and do other duties as an office-boy.

#### The Alleged Assault.

On this particular Saturday afternoon, (April 6) at about 3 p.m. Mak Hung was performing his usual duties. He left his desk to go over to the desk of Mr. Wal Po-cheung, who Mr. D'Almada explained, was a correspondent of the *China Mail* and was for several years a sub-editor. He also had control over the Chinese staff, it was understood.

Mak Hung's intention when he walked over to Mr. Wal's desk was to clear it up, and it was while he was clearing it up, that the alleged assault was committed on him by Mr. Donaldson. There were no witnesses of the actual assault, but he would call Mr. Dobbie, another member of the *China Mail* staff, and also Mr. Wal and the foreman of the machinery room, to say what injuries were received by Mak Hung.

In the course of his duties, Mak Hung was forbidden by Mr. Donaldson to stand near Mr. Wal's desk, although he was there for the purpose of cleaning it up. He was at that particular moment sharpening Mr. Wal's pencils so as to prepare him for his work when he came back on Monday morning.

Mr. Donaldson refused to allow him to sharpen the pencils. Not only that, but Mr. Donaldson also caught him by the scruff of the neck and forced him to sit at his own (the boy's) desk. He struggled and in the course of the struggle, Mr. Donaldson hit him. He subsequently reported the matter to Mr. Wal at the latter's house, and the matter was then taken to the police, who advised him to take out a summons.

#### Evidence of Temperament.

Mr. D'Almada said that there would also be evidence on Mr. Donaldson's character, showing that Mr. Donaldson as a rule, was rather abrupt in his temper, or rather that he was of a highly-strung nature.

Major Willson, interposing, held that evidence of Mr. Donaldson's character was outside of the matter of the summons.

Mr. D'Almada replied that, where there was only one man's word against another, it was essential and legal to bring in evidence to show the nature of a man.

His Worship: We all have our moments of temper.

Mr. D'Almada: We all have our temper. But what I am going to say is this: that on the 20th March, Mr. Dobbie, who is a member of the Editorial Staff, had reason to complain about Mr. Donaldson's conduct towards him. I will read to your Worship what is presumably a very great apology on the part of Mr. Donaldson after Mr. Dobbie, the managing director of the *China Mail*.

Mr. D'Almada was proceeding to read the letter when his Worship again ruled it out. Mr. D'Almada asked his Worship to take note that the complaint against Mr. Donaldson's "violent temper" came not only from a subordinate, but also from another man who was almost in an equal position to Mr. Donaldson, in the office.

#### The Evidence.

Mak Hung was then called to give evidence. He stated that he approached Mr. Wal's desk, and seating himself, proceeded to sharpen two pencils. He was about to return them to Mr. Wal's desk when defendant caught hold of his neck with his two hands. Feeling hurt, he struggled, with the idea of freeing himself, but was told by Mr. Donaldson to sit down. Mr. Donaldson complained that he had made a terrible noise with his knife. Finally he freed himself and

defendant then hit him three blows: one on the chin, one on the mouth and one in the temple. Bleeding from the mouth, he ran out of the room and down the stairs. It was his intention to report the matter to Mr. Burnett, but as the latter was not in, he went and reported to Mr. Wal Po-cheung at his residence.

#### Cross-examination.

Mr. Donaldson, asked if he had any questions to put, said: Before examining this young man, I think after you have heard the real facts of the case, you will have a very different view of the matter. In the first place, I shall ask him if he understands that in a British Court, before a British Magistrate, it is a very serious matter to tell lies.

His Worship: He understands that, I am sure. He has been declared and sworn.

Mr. Donaldson: Will your Worship then ask him if on many other occasions he has been told to perform his duties? I had occasion to reprimand him because of gross neglect of his duties?

Witness admitted that he had been reprimanded before, but that was when the rope of the copy-lift broke and he had to repair it.

Mr. Donaldson: And if it was not the case that on several occasions, seeing you so very lazy and dilatory, I suggested that you should bring up a bed and should sleep on it until fifteen minutes before time to go to work?

Witness said he could not remember having been thus instructed.

#### One Great Joke.

Mr. Donaldson said that the whole matter appeared to be one great joke. In his 21 years' experience in China he declared he had never come across such an office-boy as the complainant.

Mr. D'Almada: Is it defendant's suggestion that he treats the Court as a joke?

Mr. Donaldson deprecated such a suggestion. His next question was: May I ask witness if he has had any lessons in British boxing?

Witness: No.

Mr. Donaldson: Will your Worship ask how it comes about that on being told to leave the office and being pushed along and no more, he had the audacity, the audacity, to turn against the only European in the office, and therefore the representative of his employers, and to adopt a pugilistic attitude and strike out at me?

Mr. Donaldson was advised by his Worship to shorten his question for the sake of clarity. On the question being put to witness, the latter replied that he took up a fighting attitude.

#### Neglect of Duty.

Mr. Donaldson complained of witness having often left the room without being authorized to do so. He next put it to witness that he was making a considerable noise when handling some papers, and also an unnecessary amount of noise when replacing a chair. He had also neglected to clear some papers from a tray in a distinct request, such papers being required in the compositor's room.

Witness replied that Mr. Donaldson took such a long time in dealing with his copy that he was unable to catch up with the compositors and always blamed witness for it.

Mr. Donaldson put his case to the boy in a series of questions, to all of which complainant returned negative answers. He denied that he first assaulted the defendant. He said: When you caught hold of me by the neck, I naturally had to struggle. My face turned green with the pressure, and I could not make any noise.

Is it not the case that you struck me first, to my great surprise?—No, I did not strike you first.

Mr. Donaldson: Will your Worship ask witness who inspired him to mention the matter to the Police?

Mr. D'Almada objected to the question, saying that a man was entitled to do what he liked after being hit, without being considered to have been inspired.

#### Other Witnesses.

Mr. James Thomas Dobbie, who was called as witness for the complainant, said he was Senior Sub-Editor of the *China Mail*, having acted in that capacity for sometime past. As far as he was concerned, the office boy had carried out his duties in a proper manner.

Mr. D'Almada: In the course of your duties as Senior Sub-Editor did you, on March 20, have any disagreement or trouble with Mr. Donaldson?

Witness: Yes. He threatened to foot me downstairs. In consequence of the trouble, I thought it my duty to report to Mr. Burnett.

Mr. D'Almada again proceeded to read a letter of apology received by Mr. Dobbie from Mr. Donaldson following the incident, when his Worship again interrupted, ruling out the letter.

Major Willson said that a man might lose his temper on occasions, but that could not be relied upon as a fair indication of his temperament. He could not allow the letter to be admitted as evidence.

Mr. Donaldson to witness: I had occasion to mention to you that I was much surprised and disappointed that you should make what you called a necessary report to Mr. Burnett, the proprietor of the paper.

Mr. Dobbie: I made a report. You ran mental amuck.

Mr. Donaldson: I said to you very distinctly that considering the trouble you had had with Mr. Burnett,....

Major Willson: That has nothing to do with the case.

Mr. Donaldson expressed the opinion that Mr. Dobbie should not have come into the case at all, as he was not an eye-witness of the assault.

#### A Witness Questioned.

Mr. Wal Po-cheung, who was the next witness called for the complainant, said he was employed in the capacity of special correspondent to the *Sunday Herald* and *China Mail*. He said he had no reason to complain about the office-boy, except that he was sometimes irritating.

Witness described the injuries which the office boy showed when he called at his house with a complaint of having been assaulted by Mr. Donaldson.

Mr. Donaldson: Did you witness the actual assault?—No.

Then why are you here?—I beg your pardon?

You intelligent man. Can you explain how is it that when he left me, I saw no blood at all?....

His Worship: I cannot see how he can.

Mr. Donaldson: We will pass that over. Who told him it would be advisable to report to the Police? Is it not the case that you are paying his expenses so far as his lawyer is concerned?

Mr. D'Almada objected to the question.

Mr. Donaldson: Is it not the case, Mr. Wal, that you and I have not got on very well? I am submitting that this boy would not have put the matter in the hands of the police unless he had been advised to.

As in the case of the previous witness, Mr. Donaldson said that Mr. Wal did not see the assault and consequently he should not have been brought into the case at all.

#### Witnesses for Defence.

Mr. A. G. Hewitt, architect, was called by defendant as a witness.

Mr. Donaldson: While you have been practising as an architect for many years, we have known each other for many years, I think since 1912. We have been quite intimate friends all that time. I would like to ask you if on any occasion you have ever thought of me as an aggressive temperamental or a man who would strike a coolie or office-boy?

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## MR. T. GRIMSHAW.

LEAVING COLONY AFTER  
LONG SERVICE.

Mr. T. Grimshaw of Talkoo Dock is leaving Hongkong by the s.s. Karmala to-morrow after 39 years' residence in the Colony, the larger part of which has been spent in the service of the Dock. Mr. Grimshaw will be accompanied by Mrs. Grimshaw who during her long stay in the Colony has also done much good work on behalf of the Quarry Bay community. On the occasion of their retirement presentations were made at Talkoo Club on Wednesday night when many warm tributes to their work were paid and wishes expressed for a happy retirement in Liverpool.

Mr. Grimshaw first came to Hongkong in 1889 when he was on a Blue Funnel vessel, but it was not until some years later that he took up his residence in Hongkong. There was no reclamation at that time and passengers on the ships frequently made comments on the fact that from the harbour there appeared to be no level land on the Island at all. The Butterfield and Swire office occupied a site in what is now the Cathedral compound. The seawall was only about 50 feet north of the cricket ground.

#### Long Service With Dock.

Mr. Grimshaw joined the sugar refinery staff in 1890 when the business had been established for about six years. At that time there were between 40 and 50 Europeans at Quarry Bay, including a number of German nationals. Mr. Grimshaw remained with the Refinery for eleven years as building overseer and then went to Talkoo Dock. He started a period of 23 years' service with the Dock in 1900, at the whole of his time being spent with the architectural department.

At this time there was only one lady at Quarry Bay, the wife of a German manager. Mr. Grimshaw well remembers the outbreak of plague and pays a tribute to the work of the European doctors in Hongkong at that time. He well remembers Dr. Lawson, Dr. Cantlie (afterwards Sir James Cantlie) and Dr. Atkinson. About this time there was a keen band of amateur actors in Hongkong, the Grimshaws and Lammetts always being prominent in the Amateur Dramatic Club productions.

The typhoon of 1906 which came over the Colony with little warning forms the basis for some of his most vivid reminiscences, and he recalls that there was an equally violent typhoon two years later when there was little loss of life owing to more warning having been given.

#### Work for Talkoo Club.

During his many years as assistant engineer at Talkoo Dock Mr. Grimshaw did much good work in connexion with the organisation of the Talkoo Club. He has held the position of secretary, treasurer and chairman and has been largely responsible for its success. In the early days of the club the principal event was the annual athletic sports held on New Year's Day. This event ran for fourteen years in succession, proving an exceedingly popular function.

Mr. Grimshaw has been a keen bowler during his residence here and has represented Talkoo Club on the Lawn Bowls Association. He was in the Volunteer Defence Corps for fifteen years, being a sergeant in the Infantry Company when he transferred to the Reserves. He was also interested in the Rifle League and from time to time won prizes in local shooting competitions.

Mr. and Mrs. Grimshaw have one son, John, who is an engineer in the Blue Funnel line, in this having followed in the footsteps of his father.

## BRITISH LEGION.

FALLING OFF OF MEMBERS'  
SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The annual meeting of the British Legion (Hongkong Branch) was held in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's board room yesterday evening under the chairmanship of Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton, President. The chairman mentioned that the sum expended on relief work during the year amounted to \$2,905.50. Nine cases were assisted in all. Apart from this \$500 was donated to the Poppy Day Fund. The two main sources of income were the donation from the Hongkong Jockey Club and interest from the late Sir Paul Chater's fund.

Subscriptions, continued the chairman, seemed to be gradually falling off. He suggested that members should be rounded up and have their subscriptions paid. It was mentioned that there were 110 members but of these only 65 had paid their subscriptions.

The primary object of the British Legion was to offer assistance to men locally and the main object now was apparently the Poppy Day fund so it was needed to keep the British Legion going for that purpose.

It might interest the meeting, said the chairman, to know that during the past five years over \$10,000 had been collected in Hongkong alone on behalf of the Poppy Day fund. (Applause).

The chairman mentioned the death of Marshal Foch and said that in this connexion a wreath was laid by the Legion on the Cenotaph and a letter was received from the Consul for France thanking the members for attending the celebrations at the Catholic Cathedral of the Requiem Mass for the Marshal and for the flowers.

The Consul also wrote that he had placed flowers in memory of the late Marshal Foch and at the same time he took the opportunity to lay flowers for the unknown soldier.

A letter was written in reply thanking the Consul for his letter and also for the tribute he had paid to the unknown soldier. In regard to the accounts, the thanks of the Legion were due to Mr. W. B. Cornaby, the hon. secretary of the Poppy Day fund and to Mr. J. Kerr Shaw, the hon. treasurer. Thanks were also expressed to Mr. A. Murdoch, the chairman of the committee and to Mr. A. Percy, the hon. Secretary of the Legion.

Mr. F. W. James was unanimously elected President for the ensuing year while Mr. R. K. Hepburn was elected Hon. Secretary, Mr. Percy expressing his intention of resigning. The committee was re-elected en bloc.

The chairman recorded an expression of thanks to Mr. Percy for the work he had done. Mr. A. Ritchie who had audited the accounts was also thanked.

It was decided to have a representation on parade on the arrival of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester. Mr. James proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Hall Brutton for the work he performed during the past year.

## HOTEL BOY'S LAPSE.

CONVICTED OF POSSESSION  
OF A REVOLVER.

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, before the Pulene Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), Chan Kin-shun was charged with being in possession of a revolver and five rounds of pistol ammunition without a licence or lawful authority. Prisoner denied the charge.

After a short retirement, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, with which his Lordship expressed agreement.

Sentence was postponed until next Wednesday morning. The Criminal Sessions will be continued this afternoon.

## ELECTION PLANKS.

MR. BALDWIN GIVES HIS  
PROGRAMME.

London, Apr. 18. In the Drury Lane Theatre, which was crowded with representatives from constituencies all over the country, Mr. Baldwin launched the Conservative general election programme.

He emphasised the intention to continue the process of conquering unemployment without resorting to palliative schemes necessitating large borrowing; and claimed that Britain was recovering her competitive power, with trade definitely improving. They needed settled and stable conditions.

He declared that the safeguarding and derating policies were very valuable adjuncts to increasing employment.

The Government would co-operate in modernising the whole railway arrangements.

He ruled out agricultural protection, but stated that the defence forces would give a certain measure of preference to home-produced meat and flour.

The Government would provide small sums as required, within a certain maximum, for Empire development; and would appoint an independent commission to advise on the most profitable expenditure of this money to develop the colonial territories.

He declined to promise more than they could perform. The people's deep sense of responsibility would make them deaf to the appeals to cupidry on the one hand and credulity on the other.

#### Overseas Markets.

Mr. Baldwin declared that the Conservative policy of modernising home industry and multiplying overseas markets had caused them to look to development of the colonies. He referred to the colonies, not the Dominions, because the latter were self-governed. The best contribution we could make to the Dominions was to give them the best of our people and the best terms of preference possible.

The Conservatives were not quite satisfied with the progress of the Colonial Empire, particularly the vast potentialities of the African territories. Something had been done through the Palestine and East African loans. It was the Government's policy to ensure that further capital would be forthcoming in the most convenient form, for the colonies were unable to finance their own development, hence the Government would provide, out of Imperial funds, such funds as were required, within a substantial maximum, to help to pay interest during the initial years on unfruitful schemes, which otherwise must be postponed; and in other ways help them to mature.

The Government proposed to establish an independent commission to advise the Government on the most profitable use of new resources for developing the colonies.—*Reuter*.

#### A New Election Issue.

London, Apr. 18. Not since the historic Prayer Book debate has there been such a tense and dramatic atmosphere in the House of Commons as at last night's debate following Mr. Snowden's impetuous declaration on the Balfour Note.

Members on both sides of the House assume that a new issue for determination at the Election has been brought into the field of political controversy.

The Conservatives say the issue is the sanctity of international contracts. Labour members report that the Government is seeking an election stunt, and if Mr. Snowden's declaration is to be used for election purposes, the issue, so far as Labour is concerned, will be taxation of the people of Britain for repayment of a debt incurred by foreign countries.

It is expected that Mr. Baldwin will refer to the subject at the Conservative rally to-day, when he will outline the Government election programme.—*Reuter*.

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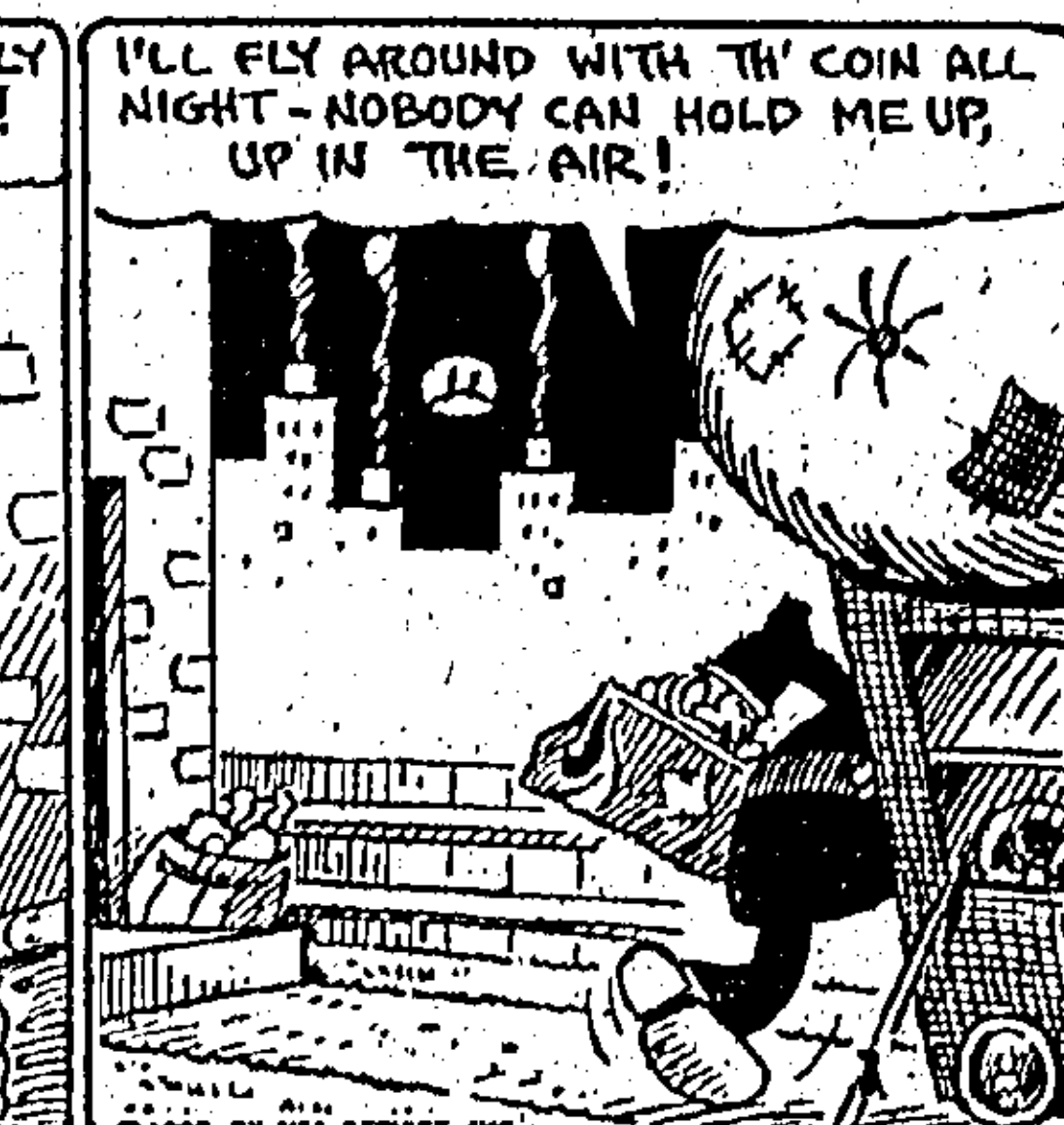
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Mrs. E. L. Doheny, widowed by the recent tragedy at Los Angeles.



America was deeply shocked by the news of the murder of Mr. E. L. Doheny, Jr. pictured above (with his parents). He was shot by Theodore Plunkett, his confidential secretary, in a sudden fit of insanity.



Dr. E. C. Fishbaugh, who heard the shots, and found the bodies.



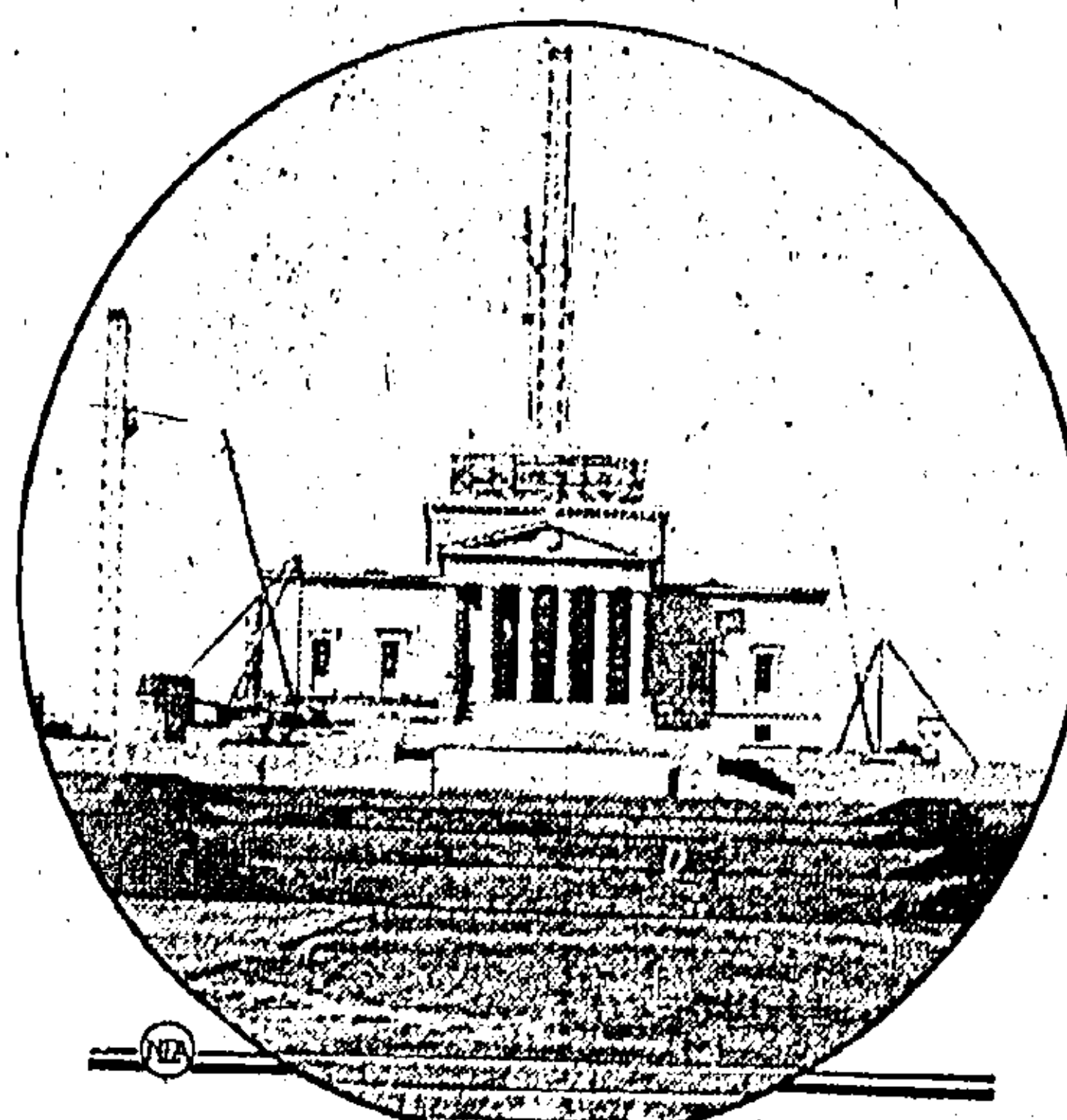
Theodore Plunkett, secretary to E. L. Doheny, who shot and killed his employer and then committed suicide.



Group taken at the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, recently, the very Reverend Dean A. O. S. Trivett officiating, when Miss Lily Whatmough and Mr. Frederick Wilson of the Ewo Cotton Mills were married.



A striking picture showing the damage caused in Springfield by the unprecedented floods. A caterpillar tractor is seen picking up the mud and clearing the road of wreckage.



The George Washington National Memorial, which has been under construction for 4 years and will be finished in 1932.



Another Springfield flood picture, showing the ruins of a house, the foundations of which were undermined by the treacherous water.



Dynamite placed on the tracks ahead of a train carrying the Mexican President, Portes Gil, did terrific damage. The President was riding well back and was not hurt. The above snaps were taken immediately after explosion.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office, 2nd floor, Powell's Building, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 26th April, 1929, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1928.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 19th April to 26th April, 1929, both days inclusive.

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General Managers.  
Hongkong, 19th April, 1929.

### HONGKONG BASEBALL ASSOCIATION.

Senior and Junior Clubs are reminded that entries will close on April 20th, 1929.

H. HONG SLING,  
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The Ordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. Building, on Monday, the 29th of April, 1929, at 11 a.m. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed, from the 25th of April to 29th of April, both days inclusive.

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### ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The Closing Cruise will take place on Saturday, the 20th April. All friends of Members and Subscribers will be welcome at the Club House.

Championship and other Trophies will be presented during the afternoon and in the evening a dinner will be held at Messrs. Lane Crawford's Restaurant at 8 p.m. Will Members and Subscribers wishing to attend please send in their names to the Hon. Secretary together with the names of guests—not exceeding two—no early as possible.

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The quantity of water in the storage reservoirs has fallen so low that further restrictive measures are under consideration, and should an adequate rainfall not occur before the end of April the water supply in Hongkong and Kowloon will be cut off daily between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. from the 1st May.

The most rigid economy in the consumption of water is now essential, and the co-operation of the public in preventing waste is again earnestly requested.

HAROLD T. CREASY,  
Water Authority.  
Public Works Department,  
Hongkong, 19th April, 1929.

## G. R. NOTICE.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 22nd day of April, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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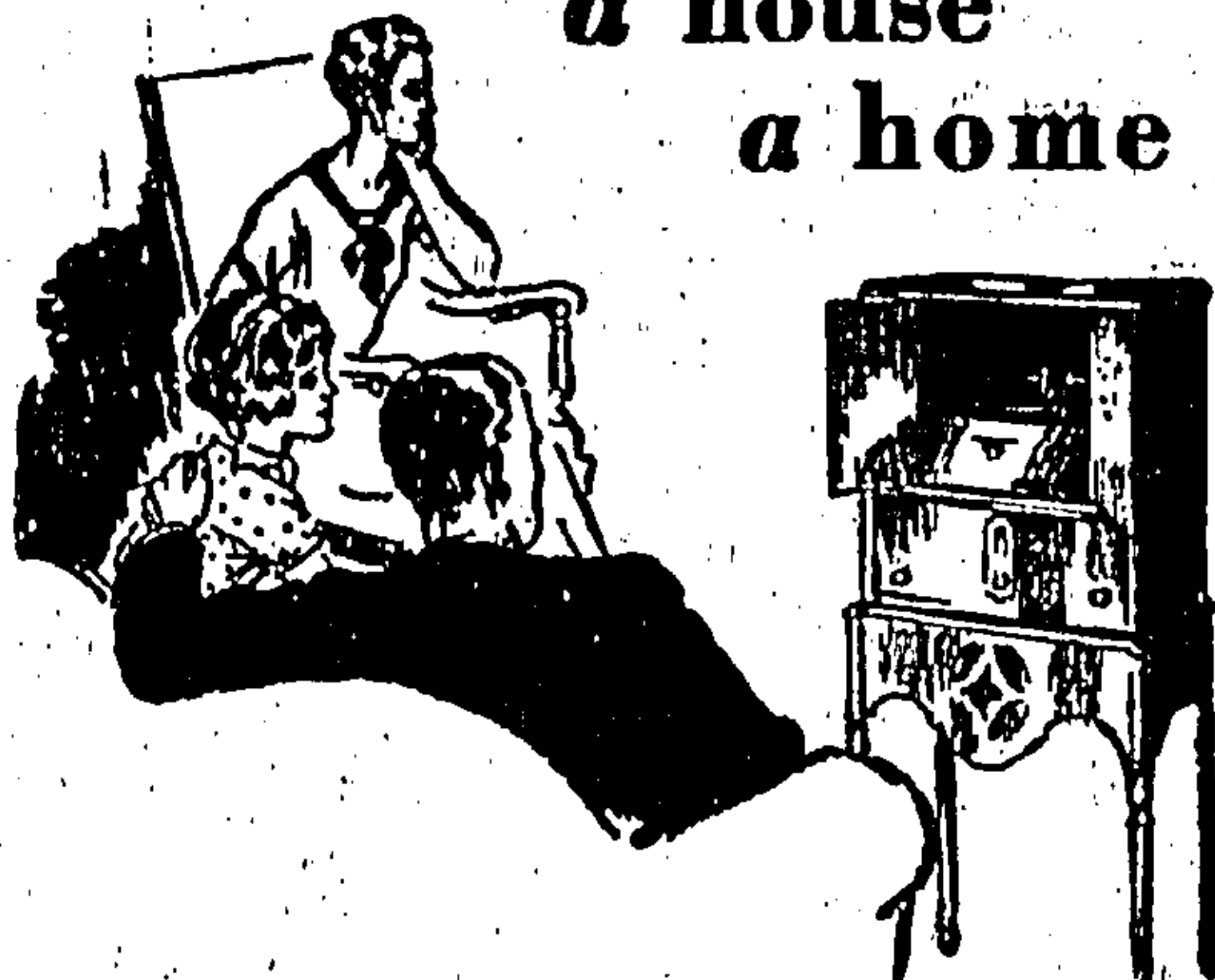
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### MARRIAGE.

HALL-GITTINS.—On 17th inst., at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, by the Rev. C. B. Shann, Mabel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gittins, to George Albert Victor Hall, Architect of Messrs. Hall and Hall, Hongkong. (Shanghai papers please copy).

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 1929

### POLITICAL TRENDS.

The possibilities that none of the three political Parties will secure an independent majority as the result of the coming General Election is giving rise to all manner of speculations in the Press at Home, in which connexion stress is being laid on Liberal pronouncements that that Party will not lend support to the installation or maintenance in office of a Labour Government. For a time, there was an impression that these declarations meant that the Liberals would prefer to support the Conservatives in the event of a deadlock, but some of the Liberal organs are now at considerable pains to remove any such misapprehension. Attention is being drawn in this regard to Mr. Lloyd George's reference, some time ago, to "a vast and fertile field common to men of progressive minds in all Parties," which they could "cultivate together."

What the Liberal leaders evidently intend to convey is that there will be no exact repetition of the 1924 procedure, when the Party, by holding the balance of votes, kept Labour in office for a time. One of the leading Liberal journals says that in the event of a deadlock it is probable that a Coalition Cabinet would afford the only adequate assurance of good faith between Liberals and Labour. It might be the case that in the initial stages of a Parliamentary deadlock the Labour Party would not agree to a Coalition, but much would depend upon the relative strength of all the parties and upon other circumstances which cannot be fully envisaged in advance. A recent declaration by Sir Herbert Samuel is being quoted as capable of carrying the implication that the Liberal Party inclines to the Right rather than to the Left, but the Nation considers that this is a false and unfair interpretation of the speech. "The overwhelming majority of those who will vote Liberal at the coming election," it says, "believe that our true

role lies on the Left rather than the Right. The task which lies before progressive statesmanship is to fashion a practicable instrument of government out of the two quarrelsome Parties of the Left, each to some extent deflected by institutional jealousies, neither of which seems likely alone to rally sufficient support to place it in power."

What is contemplated here is some means of setting up what can best be described as a Progressive Government. But this is, apparently, merely in view of a possible deadlock at the next election. There is a much larger issue, however—namely, the future both of the Liberal and the Labour Parties. The ultimate tendency may be towards a fusion of the main elements in each. Even this is viewed as a possibility by one journal, which says that perhaps in due course an issue will arise in politics which will again divide the nation along lines which roughly correspond with the normal cleavage of opinion, separating the Liberal from the Conservative and the progressive from the reactionary. Then, if the issue is one which moves men deeply, the two-party system may be revived. Such a possibility is by no means remote, for there can be no questioning the point that there is little need for three distinct Parties, as at present. However, these are developments for which we must be prepared to wait. In the meantime, a very vital General Election has to be fought.

### Geneva Talk.

The great public is hardly to be blamed for its obvious lack of faith and lack of interest in talk of disarmament. No tangible advance or intangible benefit has resulted from a whole series of conferences at Geneva, at least as far as appearances go, and the present session, the first for a year, seems to be following the usual course. The only development in three days of discussion of what the delegates shall discuss first has been some malicious cleverness by M. Litvinoff, the Soviet delegate, who succeeded in manoeuvring the committee into a cleft stick of their own making. Litvinoff, no doubt, is deriving plenty of amusement from the situation, which is exactly why the Soviet proposals, curiously attractive, cannot be taken seriously. Not wishing to say "Aye" and not daring to say "Nay" to Litvinoff's subtle question, the conference broke up hastily, presumably in order that the delegates might get their heads together to find a means of outwitting him. It is possible that the Soviet delegate needs to be brought to a proper frame of mind, but it seems absurd that the conference should degenerate into a battle of wits between the representatives of different Powers. Some surprise, says Reuter, was occasioned by the failure of Lord Cusheendun, Great Britain, or Mr. Hugh Gibson, United States, to enter into the discussion, but we rather think that there would be nothing worth saying in the circumstances. The situation arose from the inability of the conference to make up its mind whether to take the Soviet plans first, or their own convention of 1927, as if it really mattered. The Soviet scheme has been carefully set out, has been condemned as impracticable by the French, has secured the sympathy of Germany, and negative comment from others. If the scheme is impracticable, there seems no adequate reason why it should not be taken first and rejected. After all, if there is to be choice made between different sets of proposals, the logical order is to take the most ambitious first. If the object is to save time, we are almost inclined to ask why sit at all.

### EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Apr. 18.
Paris	124.25
Brussels	34.955
Amsterdam	12.084
Berlin	20.475
Copenhagen	18.21
Vienna	34.56
Helsingfors	103
Lisbon	108.4
Bucharest	820
Buenos Aires	47.5/10
Shanghai	2/9
Yokohama	1/10.15/10
New York	4.85 13/82
Geneva	25.215
Milan	92.70
Stockholm	18.17
Oslo	18.205
Prague	104
Madrid	82.805
Athens	175
Rio	5.57/64
Bombay	1/5.25/62
Hongkong	2/11 1/2
Silver (spot and forward)	25.15/16

—British Wireless.

### DAY BY DAY.

MUCH LIGHT CAN BE THROWN UPON OUR MATTERS BY OTHERS, BUT OUR DECISIONS WE MUST TAKE FOR OURSELVES.—Wilhelm von Humboldt.

The Ben Linc s.s. Bennevis, from Home and Straits ports, is due here on the 26th inst.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows five Chinese cases of small-pox and one British case of diphtheria.

In part of our issue to-day in the advertising columns, the P. and O. s.s. Karmala was advertised as leaving for Home at 4 p.m. to-morrow. This is incorrect; she sails at noon.

H.M.S. Cleopatra and H.M.S. Caryfort, two of the cruisers which brought relief crews for the China Station, sailed for Woosung and Shanghai respectively yesterday.

### THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Many Sporting Pictures  
To-morrow.

To-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement will be noteworthy for the large number of sporting pictures, in addition to many others of topical interest. In all, there will be over twenty illustrations.

In sporting illustrations there will be pictures of the finalists in the Singles Championship, Mixed Doubles Handicap, Men's Singles Handicap of the H.K.C.C. tournament, as well as of the presentation of prizes; the Diocesan Boys' School and St. Stephen's College sports; last Saturday's Extra Race Meeting; the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI which won the Junior Championship; H.M.S. Tarantula's team which won the Small Ships Cross-Country Challenge Cup; and officers and men of H.M.S. Scamew, with Shamoon football trophy.

There will be portraits of Mrs. Southern, Mrs. Crenay and Mrs. Lloyd, this year's officials of the H.K. Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League; a group of King's College Division of the Ambulance Brigade; bridal group at the wedding of Mr. A. J. Osmund and Miss Vichy; and a picture of one of the water tanks in operation.

The welcome given to General Li Chung-yen, the Kwangsi leader, on his return to Kweilin will also be illustrated by two special photographs.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. C. F. Andrews, warrier, Lanchukok Prison, residing at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, to Miss E. M. Murray, No. 4, Cambay Buildings, Kowloon.

H.M.S. Bee, flying the flag of the Rear-Admiral, Yangtze, has arrived at Shanghai from Hankow. Other naval movements yesterday include the Sepoy's arrival at Nanjing from Chekiang and that of the Magnolia at Shanghai from Weihai. H.M.S. Cornflower has left Chefoo for Woosung.

Arrested with a small steel chain tied round his waist, a Chinese was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with larceny of the chain from the s.s. Rangoon Maru at the Kowloon Godowns. The defendant who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

Two Northern Chinese appeared this morning before Major C. Willson on a charge of fighting on the Chinese Recreation Ground. One had his jacket torn off, and the second showed the Court a bruise in the stomach, caused by a pole. The magistrate imposed on each a fine of \$5, or seven days' imprisonment.

An 18-year-old Chinese girl was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with being in possession of 84 taels of raw opium at her house in Ki Lung Street. His Worship expressed a desire that the defendant should be taken to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs before he passed sentence. The case was adjourned till to-morrow.

A Chinese, who was banished from the Colony for ten years in November last, returned and was arrested yesterday. The police at the Magistracy to-day pointed out that there were several convictions against him since 1913. Major Willson sentenced the man to nine months' imprisonment with hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch.

### 21 YEARS AGO.

#### SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended April 20th, 1908:

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 10 1/2d.

The editors of Chinese newspapers in Hongkong were warned by the Government regarding comments on the boycott of Japan by China.

Mr. A. H. Kennie, managing director and organiser of the Hongkong Milling Co., was drowned in the harbour under particularly tragic circumstances.

Mr. Ng Lee-hing, a well-known Hongkong merchant, was given the rank of an official of the 4th Class of the Chinese Court.

Mr. Sidney Michael was authorised to sign on behalf of Messrs. J. M. Michael and Co.

The time-ball tower on Signal Hill, Kowloon, was operated for the first time.

The annual report of the Green Island Cement Co. showed a net profit of \$404,073. The year's dividends totalled \$125.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### Muddling Football.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—"Fan's" letter in your last issue in reference to the replay of the game between the Hongkong Football Club and Chinese Athletic was interesting inasmuch as the game was not played. As a follower of football, I heartily agree with him and I cannot help but wonder why this match, which I put myself out to go and see, did not take place.

Replay or no replay, why was it arranged for so late in the season? It must surely have been known earlier that another game was necessary, though for what reason I am hopelessly at a loss to know, as the last match, I think, ended to everyone's satisfaction, in a draw.

Are English Football Laws not good enough for Hongkong?—Yours, etc.,

"FAN-TAN."

Hongkong, Apr. 19th, 1929.

## BRIDGE MADE EASY by W.W. Wentworth

### 1.—Average Probabilities.

Bridge is not an exact science, neither is medicine, neither are many of the other great sciences. Were Bridge just like mathematics—were it exact in every detail—it would not be a game.

There is, however, a Law of Averages upon which the game is based. Guesswork and luck play very small parts, and while good cards do help, the Law of Averages applies in the long run and each player holds cards which are as good as those held by his opponents. Of utmost importance, therefore, is a knowledge of the determining factors of the game—of the probabilities.

### Average Winners.

This knowledge can be gained only by learning what usually happens in Bridge under certain circumstances. The Law of Probabilities applies in every sphere of life, and similarly, in this game. Bridge is a struggle between probabilities governed by simple principles and "hunches" governed by guesswork. Those who rely upon the former will in the long run be average winners; those who rely upon the latter will in the long run be average losers.

To become proficient in adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing, you studied arithmetic. Having this knowledge, you need merely familiarize yourself with the average probabilities of the game to fortify yourself with the knowledge that will benefit you at every turn.

### Know Human Element.

It is only after having realized this that you may permit psychology and human frailties to play a part—a small part—in your game.

A proficient player in the habit of taking daring chances will tell how he made a game by his "poker" method of bidding or playing, but he will not encourage you to follow his methods. He

## The Very Idea!

Among the wonders of science shown at a dinner at the American Institute in New York, recently, were visible sound, audible light, artificial lightning, an alloy of tungsten, carbon and cobalt, which is exceeded in hardness only by diamonds, and the exact intensity of a chorus girl's blush. The last was measured with a marvellously sensitive machine designed to record degrees of radiant heat.

In addition to these wonders, developed in the past year, there was shown sugar made from peanut shells and from the bran of cotton-seed hulls, paper made from cornstalks, "edible sunshine," which was an irradiated yeast, and a single drop of alpha hormone—all that remained after the pituitary glands of 1,000 beavers had been processed. The isolation of hormones from the ductless glands was an achievement for which Dr. Oliver Kamm, a research chemist, was awarded a \$1,000 prize from the American Association for the Advancement of Science last January. Dr. Kamm said that it would cost \$200,000 to produce a pound of hormones.

Man at Clerkenwell.—My wife suffers from apopleptic fits—I mean apopleptic fits.

Judge Cluer, in a running-down case at Shoreditch—I hope that it is not usual to use the pavements in North London for motoring. It adds to our dangers.

Willesdon Magistrate, to a witness in a case of theft of books.—Do you identify that book as your property? Police Inspector.—Pardon me, sir, that is the Court ledger.

An application was made in the High Court in London to fix the date for the trial of an action on the ground that the witnesses came from Paris, and would wish to return the same evening. Mr. Justice McCardie.—The Channel tunnel will not be completed by then.

The teacher had carefully explained that anonymous persons were those who did not wish to reveal their identity. Towards the end of the lesson, however, it was apparent that someone was not paying strict attention. "Who is that talking?" she snapped. "Please, teacher, an anonymous person," a little voice piped.

Mr. Cochran is insisting that the ladies of his chorus shall eat more to become less slim.

Good Mr. Cochran has decreed That chorus-ladies should, Upon a richer diet, feed A fatter womanhood.

To measure beauty by the mass, Flouts an aesthetic law. Helen of Troy should still out-class Helen Avoirdupois?

The garage man started to give Mr. Newrich some much-needed advice on the future handling of his damaged car.

Mr. Newrich interjected pompously—"That'll do, my man. See here, it's my car, and what I do, or say goes. Understand?"

Then it was that the fed-up mechanic under the car drawled—"For goodness sake, mister, say 'engine'."

To-day's Ghost Story.—"During the last week of August, 1914, I was staying in a house in Bath. About ten o'clock one morning I was sitting alone by the fire in the drawing-room, and hearing the even tramp of footsteps as of men called up for service I went to the window to watch.

"Turning to regain my seat, I was surprised to find it filled by a young lady whose long dress of tussore silk lay in folds at her feet. Her dark hair was gathered in a knot at the back of her head, which was turned towards me. She leaned on the left arm of the chair, holding an open letter in her hand.

"Surprised, I waited, thinking thus: 'Strange! I did not hear anyone enter the room—a pause. Then: 'And it is not anyone in the house!' Still I stood looking and waiting; when the vision slowly melted away, like a mist—first the drapery of her gown, and gradually the seat of the chair was visible, and then the whole was visible, and my seat was empty!"

will tell you that he possesses "card sense" and knows when to take desperate chances.

Until you acquire that fourth dimension known as "card sense," or become a "desperado," you will in the end be one thousand times more acceptable in the eyes and ears of your associate players if you follow the average probabilities of the game, for you will then retain their confidence and the enviable title of being a dependable partner.



**MOTHER'S FAITH  
IN SON.****CHINESE GETS BIG SHARE  
OF ESTATE.****WILLS PROVED HERE.**

Following are some of the recent estates dealt with at the Hongkong Supreme Court:

Mrs. Ethel Glencora Brumby, wife of Mr. J. F. Brumby, of "Borden View," London Road, Sittlingbourne, Kent, who died on August 27, 1928, at Radcliffe Infirmary, St. Giles and St. John, Oxford, left Hongkong estate to the value of \$3,700, while property in England amounts to £481.

Re-sealing of probate has been granted to Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, who is the attorney for the executors.

**A Favoured Son.**

Because she had great confidence in one of her son's ability, judgment, honesty and integrity, Ng Shee, known as Mrs. Fon-kee, who died at Fresno, California, U.S.A., on or about January 7, 1927, bequeathed more to this particular son than to her other children.

In bequeathing the remainder and residue of her property, real personal or mixed, after providing for other children, the testator's will states: "The reason I am giving to him more than the others is that I have great confidence in his ability, judgment, honesty and integrity, and know that he will be able to care for the property and will deal justly with his brothers and sisters."

Testator left estate in Hongkong to the value of \$11,300, while estate in California amounts to \$10,000. Letters of administration with the will annexed have been granted to Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master. The sole executor appointed by the will is the Bank of Italy, Trust Department, in Fresno, California.

**Died Intestate.**

Hongkong estate worth \$6,100 was left by Mrs. Ada Lillian Yung, who died intestate at No. 7, Conduit Road on January 18, 1929.

Letters of administration have been granted to her husband, Mr. Morrison Brown Yung, mining engineer, residing at No. 7, Conduit Road.

**THE DISARMAMENT  
COMMITTEE.****M. LITVINOFF SUBMITS NEW  
RESOLUTION.**

Geneva, Apr. 18.

As briefly outlined yesterday, M. Litvinoff submitted a long resolution to the Preparatory Disarmament Committee to-day.

He moved, in the first place, that the Draft Convention be based on the principle of appreciable reduction of existing armed forces; secondly, that the methods of reducing armaments be based on the proportional principle or a similar impartial criterion be applied equally throughout the world except in the case of the smaller and insufficiently-protected States; and thirdly, the inclusion of numerical no-efficients for the reduction of armaments.

The vote on the Soviet scheme was postponed until Friday to enable further private conversation regarding the Committee's competency to deal therewith.—*Reuter.*

**REDUCING GERMANY'S  
AIR SERVICES.****LUFTHANSA FORCED TO CUT  
DOWN HEAVILY.**

Berlin, Apr. 18.

As the result of the reduction of the Government subsidies announced recently, Lufthansa, the great German aviation firm, notified the impending dismissal of forty per cent. of its staff, and the reduction of its services from 30,000,000 kilometres annually to 6,000,000 kilometres.—*Reuter.*

**DUTCH TEA DUTIES.****IMPORTERS ASK FOR  
ABOLITION.**

Amsterdam, Apr. 18.

As the result of the abolition of the British tea duties, the Association of Amsterdam Tea Importers is reported to have urgently appealed to the Finance Minister to abolish or to reduce considerably the import duty on Dutch tea as the Amsterdam market is considerably hampered by the present tariff.—*Reuter.*

**THE EXTRADITION  
OF WILSON.****FIRST AMERICAN CASE  
IN MACAO.****CONSUL PRAISED.**

Canton, Apr. 18.

Mr. James E. McKenna, Consul for the United States of America in Canton, and Chief Nevins of the Manila Police, left Canton this afternoon on board the s.s. Hang Cheong for Macao to take over Wilson, who is wanted in Manila on charges of alleged embezzlement.

Interviewed on board the Hang Cheong by your correspondent this afternoon, Chief Nevins outlined the difficulties of the case. He paid great tribute to Consul-General Douglas Jenkins who was largely responsible for obtaining the first extradition of an American subject from Macao in history.

Wilson left Manila some time ago subsequent to charges of embezzling of 200,000 pesos from the San Carlos Sugar Milling Company. He got two weeks start on Chief Nevins, and when the latter arrived in Hongkong he was informed that Wilson was supposed to be in Canton. Chief Nevins came up here and through the American Consulate-General secured the assistance of the Shamen and Canton police authorities. Wilson was then traced to the Asia Hotel.

On the 15th March, Consul-General Jenkins issued a warrant for the arrest of Wilson, but he had left for Macao. He was, however, arrested on this warrant by the Portuguese authorities and held in Macao. Wilson himself had stated that he did not believe extradition treaties existed which affected Macao and the Philippines. However, after being before the Macao courts for some time, a decision has just been rendered against Wilson and he will be handed over to the Manila authorities.

As soon as Wilson has been taken over from the Macao authorities, Mr. McKenna will return to Canton, whilst Chief Nevins, with Wilson in custody, will proceed immediately to Manila.

Chief Nevins was emphatic in his praise of the way in which Consul-General Douglas Jenkins had handled this case and also regarding the efficiency of the Shamen and Canton Police authorities which had enabled Wilson to be traced so rapidly.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

**SIGNALMAN WHO FELL  
ASLEEP.****STARTLING REPORT ON A  
TRAIN CRASH.**

"This accident... came about primarily as the result of (Signalman) Scott having been asleep at his post."

In these words, Colonel Mount officially reports on the rail accident at Dinwoodie last October, in which four lives were lost.

The Royal Highlander express from Euston to Inverness ran into the back of a freight train at 3 a.m. on a dark night. Both engines drawing the express turned over and ran down an embankment, the four engine men being killed.

Scott, the signalman who let the express into the section in which the goods train had stopped, admitted that he had slept at his post, and said he was "overwrought" following lack of rest due to the recent illness of his wife.

Not the First Time.

Says Colonel Mount:—"I fear that this was not the first occasion on which Scott had recently failed to exercise that measure of self-discipline which is vital in positions of trust and responsibility."

"The case is essentially not one of sudden breakdown. Indeed, I am doubtful whether Scott's suggestion that he actually slept for 10 minutes can be relied upon."

"I think it more probable that he was dozing in the early hours of the morning, and merely depending upon the bell signals and the passage of trains to rouse him."

"In an isolated position, with infrequent traffic, it is all the more necessary to adopt the ordinary methods of keeping alert."

"On the contrary, he apparently did nothing to prevent lethargy overtaking him; for example, even when the freight train should have been nearing his post he resumed his seat by the fire."

"But worse still, his subsequent action in booking the 'out of section' and 'entering section' signals for this train at 2.55 a.m. when he accepted the express indicate a state of mind at the time, lacking all sense of responsibility, solely intent upon covering up neglect for not having heard, much less seen, the train pass."

**YUNNAN BUYS TWO  
AEROPLANES.****PURCHASED FROM U.S. FIRM  
IN HONGKONG.****CIVIL AIR SERVICE.**

Mr. Lau Pui-chun, an emissary sent by General Lung Yun, Chairman of the Provincial Government of Yunnan, visited Canton from Hongkong on Tuesday to negotiate with the authorities concerning defensive measures in the provinces of Kwangtung and Yunnan. He called upon General Chan Chal-tong after his arrival, reporting to the latter on recent conditions in his province.

In making his trip to this part of the country, Mr. Lau also had another mission, as he was to order in Hongkong two aeroplanes of the latest type from an American firm in that Colony for use in establishing a civil air service between Yunnan and Kwangtung.

One of the planes is believed to have arrived at Hongkong, while the other is on its way out. He has brought with him a number of aviators, and as soon as negotiations have been completed with the Government of Hongkong, he and his party will make their way back to Yunnan on the two planes.—*Canton Gazette.*

**"THE FANATICS" AT  
THE STAR.****BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE BY  
BANYARD COMPANY.**

Broadmindedness was the qualification for admittance to the Star Theatre for the Banyard presentation of "The Fanatics" last night, and Hongkong thought sufficiently well of itself in this respect to fill the theatre to overflowing, hundreds being unable to obtain seats. Miles Malleon has written a play dealing very frankly with a present-day problem, or at least, a problem which engages the earnest attention of fanatics of the John Freeman type, and his disciple-sister.

It is a play which makes one think, though as newspapers suffer under a handicap as compared with the stage, it is impossible to give an adequate general outline of the theme, which deals with sex consciousness. Malleon has avoided the vulgar with graceful ease even when treading on most delicate ground. He has handled a difficult subject in a masterly way, a great deal more being indicated than spoken.

As to the players, the standard of the acting was higher, if anything, than in any of the Company's previous shows. We were rather critical of Ormiston Miller as Wembury in "The Ringer" but he gave an eminently satisfactory interpretation of John Freeman. The chief difficulty of the part, we imagine, was memorising. John probably talks as much as the remainder combined, but even when propounding his theories for reconstructing the world, Mr. Ormiston Miller never allowed the monologue to become monotonous. He shouldn't be asked to play Wembury after such a performance.

Gwen, played by Miss Ahearne, and Josephine Kilfoyle's two parts, were splendidly taken, while Reginald Tippet, T. W. Sleight, Valentine Clemow, Annie Chippendale, and Kathleen Vaughan rendered strong support.

"Rookery Nook" is on the programme for this evening.

**CONVICT CAUGHT  
IN JOHORE.****POLICEMAN WOUNDED IN  
PISTOL DUEL.****A PLUCKY ARREST.**

Singapore, Apr. 10.

Another of the 13 convicts who escaped from the Singapore Prison on March 24 has been arrested.

The man fired at a policeman who stopped a car in which the convict was passing through a village in Johore yesterday evening with several other Chinese. One of these men shot himself after exchanging shots, while running away from the police.

Kulai village is 20 miles north of Johore Bahru, and such details of the affair as are to hand are meagre. It is known, however, that the convict is Yip Siew Leong, who was serving a term of seven years on charges of armed robbery and assembling to commit robbery. It was during his arrest in Victoria Street in March, 1926 that Mr. Dickinson, A.S.P., was fired at.

Following the arrest of this man, information has been obtained of the whereabouts of three other escaped convicts, and Chinese detectives from Chief Detective Inspector Porter's staff are in Johore actively following up clues which, it is anticipated, will lead to their early capture.

It appears that when the man who fired the first shot was seized the others leaped out of the car. Other policemen rushed up and the Chinese dashed off with the police running after them. Shots were exchanged, and it was while he was running away that one of the men shot himself and died instantly. One of the policemen was slightly wounded in the side.

The man who shot himself is not an escaped convict, but he is a person well known to the police in Singapore.

**STAFF OFFICERS FROM  
SHANGHAI.****ARRIVE THIS MORNING BY  
"KARMALA."**

The Headquarters of the North China Command having ceased to exist as from Tuesday last, on the amalgamation of the North and South Commands, a number of Staff Officers arrived here this morning from Shanghai by the P. and O. s.s. Karmala. They will in future be stationed here.

Amongst those arriving were Colonel and Mrs. A. S. King, Lieut.-Col. E. C. A. Larkins, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Orange-Bromhead, Major L. H. Aste, Major E. C. Beddows, Major J. H. Kilpatrick, Major and Mrs. F. M. Montresor, Major and Mrs. F. Wood-Heaton, Captain and Mrs. J. A. Dowry, Captain H. P. Gardham, Captain and Mrs. E. H. C. Harris, Captain F. Maddox, Captain F. S. Weir, Lieut. H. Gough, Lieut. G. Kearns, Lieut. and Mrs. H. E. London, Lieut. A. R. R. Moffatt, Lieut. R. W. Marshall, Lieut. W. H. Moekler, Lieut. R. C. Vacher, Lieut. and Mrs. W. Watson, and Matron K. Roscoe.

**CANTON'S RADIO  
SCHEME.****BROADCAST STATION SOON  
TO OPERATE.****OPENING NEXT WEEK.**

In the very near future, says the *Canton Gazette*, Canton's Broadcast Station, housed in the Central Park, will be doing its share in contributing to the daily programmes now available to radio enthusiasts throughout China and the Far East. Already local fans are eagerly listening in while tests are being carried out, although no public announcement had been made that the station was in operation.

The final adjustments to the plant were completed last week and during the past few days tests have been carried out during the evenings with very gratifying results. Reports from friends in Hongkong and Macao indicate that reception was very distinct and clear.

**Wave Length Question.**

Tests are still under way to determine on the best wave length to use. For the time being 375 meters is the wave length in use, but the adoption of 400 meters is being seriously considered as the shorter wave-length may result in some difficulty in reception being experienced in Shanghai owing to possible interference from Japanese stations.

The China Electric Company, who are installing the automatic telephone system, supplied and erected the plant, and are confident that by the week-end sufficient data will have been obtained to enable them to decide on the best wave length to use, and it is hoped to hold the official opening ceremony of this station early next week, probably on Tuesday. After the opening ceremony the plant will be formally handed over to the Municipal authorities who are to operate the station.

**Actors Help in Tests.**

Present tests are being carried out under the supervision of Mr. Parker, of the China Electric Company, who, we hear, is one of the foremost radio experts now in China. Collaborating willingly in making the tests, members of the "Fai Shing" theatrical company have given freely of their services, attending frequently at the station to sing their songs. Tests are carried out usually between the hours of 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., but when the station is in regular operation it is expected that broadcasting will begin nightly from 7 p.m. or 7.30 p.m.

The plant is housed in a specially built brick house in the grounds of the Central Park, designed specifically for this purpose. Among the many interesting features to be found here is an up-to-date sound-proof studio for the artists. The complete equipment is of Western Electric make. The aerial is carried on two Milliken steel towers 140 feet high and spaced 240 feet apart.

**THE OLD EXCUSE.****FAMILIAR PLEA OF  
IGNORANCE.**

The excuse that he was a newcomer to the Colony, and as a consequence was not conversant with the local regulations, was put forward by a Chinese who was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with damaging a tree on the hillside at Hok On Kok.

His Worship:—They all say they are newcomers.

Sub-Inspector James:—Despite the fact that he is a newcomer, he was convicted of the same thing last year.

The defendant admitted that he was in Hongkong last year when he was convicted of cutting trees.

His Worship passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

A fine of \$10, or 14 days' labour, was imposed by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on an office colleague of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., who was charged with stealing a ruler belonging to Mr. W. J. Brown. The defendant pleaded that he had found the ruler in the waste paper basket.

The American Mail Liner President Madison is scheduled to sail from Manila on Saturday, April 20 at 4 p.m. for San Francisco and Los Angeles. This steamer is due here at 7 a.m. on Monday April 22 and will sail for the above ports via Shanghai and Japan, on Tuesday, April 23 at 9 a.m.

An anonymous donor, "in loving memory of his dear wife, and with his best wishes for the welfare of his country," has sent £1,000 to the trustees of the National Debt Redemption Fund.

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## THE WORLD OF SPORT



### THE SHIELD FINAL TO-MORROW.

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JUNIOR FINAL ALSO.

(By "Wanderer".)

For the first time since the Kowloon Football Club made the Senior Shield Final an annual event in their season's programme (and for the first time in the history of the competition) the opposition will be provided by a Chinese team, South China. Naturally, excitement is running high in Chinese circles and there will be an enormous crowd to witness the match to-morrow, which is expected to be fast and thrilling.

Kowloon are jubilant at their seventh successive appearance in the final, particularly as the feat this season has been accomplished under somewhat new conditions, rivals being unable to attribute their success to the admission of Service players, of which there are none. Kowloon's record of appearances in the final for the past seasons is worth recording:

1922-23, v. King's Rgt.	WON.
1923-24, v. Surrey.	LOST.
1924-25, v. Surrey.	WON.
1925-26, v. Police.	WON.
1926-27, v. K.O.S.B.	LOST.
1927-28, v. Police.	WON.
1928-29, v. South China.	?

It is a record of which any club might well be proud, and it naturally serves to give the players an additional spur when they venture on the field. It is a notable fact that of the players which represented Kowloon in the final last year, only four, Angus, McKelvie, Hedley and Miles, are available for to-morrow's match.

#### Season's Records.

Their opponents, South China, have had a very successful league season, for a long time appearing certain winners. Recently in league games, however, they have fallen off, and have to rest content with third place. Their chances in the Shield are enhanced by the introduction to the side of Li Wai-tong, the well-known Shanghai and former Hongkong Interport player.

They reached the final by defeating the Royal Navy by two goals to one, and the Royal Artillery by four goals to one.

Kowloon reached the final by defeating Chinese Athletic by two goals to one, and the Club de Recreio by four goals to one. The records of the sides are thus precisely similar.

Kowloon are likely to make one change from the side which defeated the Club de Recreio, Andy Duncan coming at inside-left and Miles reverting to the wing position. South China are not expected to change their side.

#### Probable Teams.

The teams will probably be:  
Kowloon: Angus; Guest; Pile; Bliss; Easterbrook; McKelvie; Eastman; Hedley; Hannan; Duncan; Miles; South China: Pau Kaping; Lau Mau; Li Tin-sung; Leong Tin-chiu; Leung Wing-tak; Leung Wing-chiu; Tsang Wing; Chiu Kwok; Fung King-cheong; Li Wai-tong and Ip Pak-wa.

It would be unsafe to predict the result. All things considered the teams are splendidly matched, and anything is liable to happen. A goal in the early stages will make a tremendous difference to which ever side does the scoring, but I anticipate a dour fight with very little in it at the close. From all points of view it is difficult to imagine a final having more general interest than this season's game, and I think it is assured that the interest will be sustained from the beginning to the end.

#### Junior Final.

The match will kick-off at 4.30 p.m. soon after the conclusion of the Junior Shield Final, in which the K.O.S.B. Reserves and the Navy Reserves clash. This, too, should provide a keen game, as both sides normally are almost up to Senior standard. The Navy are practically assured of the Second Division championship, and I am therefore expecting the Borderers to rob them of the double success.

### RACE MEETING.

#### ENTRIES FOR THE FOURTH EXTRA.

There are eight races on the card for the fourth extra race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club, which takes place at Happy Valley on Saturday, April 27. Five are handicap races, one is an event confined to novices who will ride non-winning subscription geldings, and another is confined to ponies that have started at least twice in Hongkong and have not won anywhere more than one race this year.

The programme is as follows:  
Customs Handicap: "A" Class: Once Round (about 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.  
Customs Handicap: "B" Class: Once Round (about 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.  
Customs Handicap: "C" Class: Once Round (about 7 furlongs 55 yards).—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.  
Substitute Stakes: One Mile.—Value \$500. For all China Ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 9 lb. Winners of one race this year, 5 lbs. penalty; of two races 7 lbs. penalty; of three or more races, 10 lbs. penalty. Subscription geldings of this Club of any Season allowed 7 lbs. 2nd Prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Lead Mine Handicap: "B" Class: One and a Quarter Miles.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Pineapple Plate: Six Furlongs.—For China Ponies that have started in Hongkong at least twice this year and have not won anywhere more than one race this year. Winners 7 lbs. penalty.—1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Potomac Plate (Novices): One Mile.—For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription geldings of this club of this Season allowed 6 lbs. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won five flat races in Hongkong, China or elsewhere. Jockeys, 2 lbs. extra for each race won. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Lead Mine Handicap: "A" Class: One and a Quarter Miles.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.

#### The Entries.

The following are the entries in the non-handicap events:  
Substitute Stakes: One Mile: Monterey Bay, Duke of Chantilly, Chesapeake Bay, Christmas Chimes, Duke of Nottingham, Huntington, Winsome Star, Tarmacadam, Grand Tattoo Eve.

Pineapple Plate: Six Furlongs: Young Pretender, Monterey Bay, Fifty Fifty, One Third, Duke of Normandy II, U. U. II, As You Like It, City Hall, Duke of Nottingham, Cream Cracker, Skintaxi, Nookhill, Glory, Imperial Hall, Mowgli, Blue World, Faint Alarm, Armory, Inca, Mirror Hall, Bowden, Heretofore, Bronze Idol.

Potomac Plate (Novices): One Mile: Half Pint, Big Ben, Sunloch, Duke of Milan, Ploughman, Pumpkin, Hintank, The Parmigan, King's Parade, Sopron, Sunshine, Mountain Air, Charleston, The Jungle Book, Faint Alarm, Armory, Inca, Mirror Hall, Bowden, Heretofore, Bronze Idol.

### FANLING GOLF.

#### STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

9.28 a.m.—J. S. Dykes and F. K. Ewart.	10.04 a.m.—A. Leach and R. K. Hepburn.
9.32 a.m.—S. T. Bultin and N. K. Littlejohn.	10.08 a.m.—I. H. Geare and K. E. Greig.
9.36 a.m.—A. O. Brawn and C. W. Jeffries.	10.12 a.m.—R. D. Beaumont and H. H. Laver.
9.40 a.m.—Comdr. Brown and E. M. Bryden.	10.16 a.m.—K. L. Dugan and A. H. Ferguson.
9.44 a.m.—C. B. Johnson and D. J. Gilmore.	10.20 a.m.—E. D. Black and F. M. Ellis.
9.48 a.m.—W. K. Tait and T. L. Christie.	10.24 a.m.—W. A. Stewart and D. S. Edwards.
9.52 a.m.—Major Beamish and L. R. Andrews.	10.28 a.m.—W. J. S. Key and G. B. S. Thomson.
9.56 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and C. Holmes.	10.32 a.m.—W. J. Gordon and H. G. Howard.
10.00 a.m.—H. A. R. Conant and A. Webster.	10.36 a.m.—W. A. Weight and H. A. Mills.
10.04 a.m.—A. Leach and R. K. Hepburn.	10.40 a.m.—A. B. Purves and A. D. Humphreys.
10.08 a.m.—I. H. Geare and K. E. Greig.	10.44 a.m.—W. L. Dunbar and G. W. Sewall.
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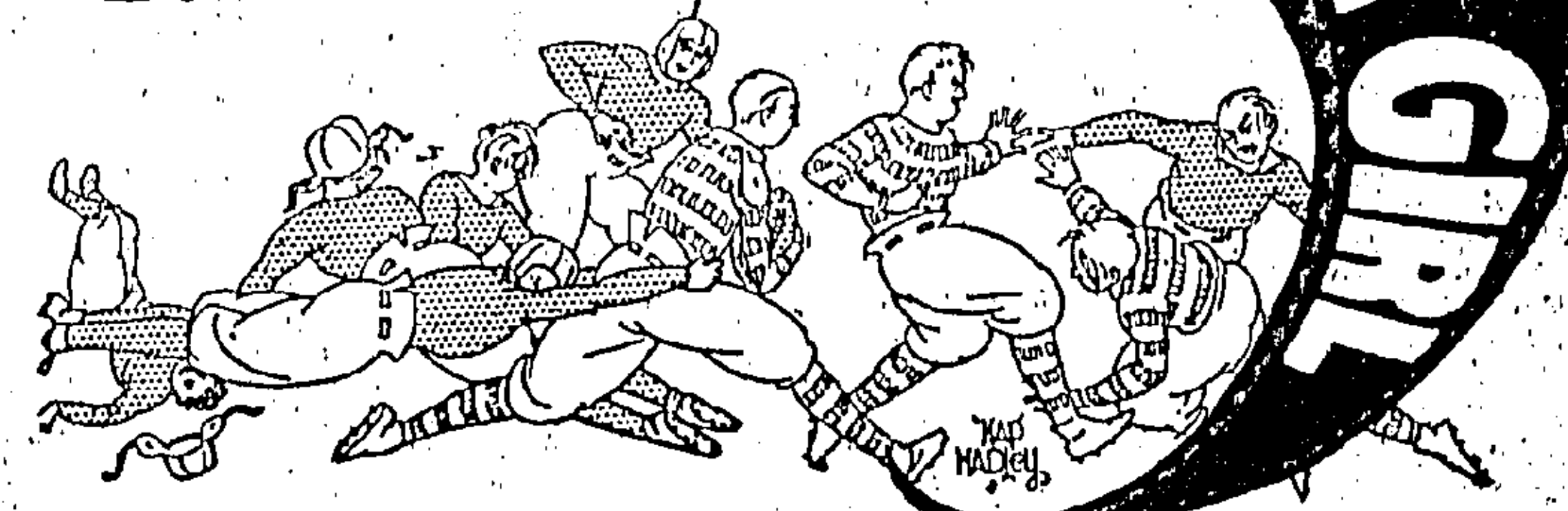


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The action moves rapidly all through, there are some really superb tropical settings, and the acting is all that could be desired. Throughout the correct "atmosphere" is maintained. Ronald Colman is seen in a new role—that of the gun-runner—and it fits him splendidly. He never overdoes the part, his restraint being admirable. Opposite him is Lily Danila, a new screen star, who has an excellent conception of the part of Mrs. Travers. Both work together with perfect understanding, whilst the other roles are also well taken. We can commend the film as being much above the ordinary Hollywood product.

Special orchestral and organ music, under the direction of Mr. H. E. Nicholson, adds much to the enjoyment of the film.

### CHARGES AGAINST

#### BOW-STREET MAGISTRATE'S DECISION.

The hearing of the case in which Mr. Arthur Bernard Geary, fifty, retired civil servant, who, when charged with being drunk and disorderly in Villiers-street, Strand, made allegations against the police, was concluded at Bow-street recently.

At the last hearing, Geary alleged that requests which he made after arrest for a friend and a doctor who had been treating him to be called were refused. He also alleged that a police surgeon who was called in "apparently had had a night out," and was not competent to examine him.

Dr. Thomas Rose, police surgeon, gave evidence that he was called to see the defendant at 12.55 a.m. on March 9. He asked him if he complained of any illness, and was told "none whatever." Geary seemed very excited, and when he was asked to show his tongue, only did so properly after a long hesitation. He smelt strongly of drink.

Other witnesses were called, and then Mr. Mark Waters, addressing the magistrate for the defendant, said that his client wished to express his great regret if any hasty words he might have said in the court on the previous occasion should have been taken as reflecting at all on the probity of Dr. Rose, or anyone else at the police station. What he complained of was the system, or want of system, whereby he—as he maintained, a perfectly

### FRIENDLY FOOTBALL.

The following players are chosen to represent the Eastern Athletic Association in a friendly game of football against the Sociedade Uniao Rescativa in Macao on Sunday at 1.30 p.m.:—M. Ismail, M. Ramzan, S. A. L. Rahman, Li Ping-tong, Ng Ying-kee, Cheung Lup-fun, Lai Ying-choy, A. K. Mimi, S. M. Subhan, J. C. Santos and M. Subhan (Capt.). Reserves—Li Yun-yum and Chan Shiu-wai.

sober but excited man—was forcibly kept for some hours before he was set free.

Mr. Waters said that Geary had only half a bottle of wine at dinner at the Junior Army and Navy Club, and afterwards went to a coffee stall for a cup of Oxo. He there met a man on crutches, whom he believed to be an impostor, and called for the police; but the man and his friends so manoeuvred that Geary was taken into custody instead of the impostor. "My instructions are that at Bow-street my client did all that was possible to attract attention. He kicked at the door and shouted, and asked to be bailed out, but it was all of no avail."

Sir Charles Biron said the case was perfectly clear. Geary's recollection of everything that took place had been inaccurate, and it was a significant thing that a doctor for whom he had called after seeing him, signed the medical register and was not called as a witness. That was a very awkward thing to get over. He fined Geary 40s. and two guineas costs.

Geary: Have I the right to appeal?

Sir Charles Biron: No, there is no right of appeal against a 40s. fine.

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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 10	Sept. 12	Sept. 21
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	Oct. 12
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 9	Oct. 12	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 26
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## Y. M. C. A. DEBATE.

### THE WARRIOR AND THE REFORMER

The respective claims of warriors and reformers were considered at the European Y.M.C.A. last evening, in a debate arising from a motion by Mr. A. A. Dand that the warrior had done more to benefit mankind than the reformer. A firm believer in reform by the sword, Mr. Dand said that it was the warrior who always prepared the ground for the reformer, and he pointed to the big reforms of history as having been brought upon the advent of the hordes of some conqueror or other.

In the course of his speech, he mentioned the achievements of Julius Caesar, of the Anglo-Saxons, and the Normans in helping to bring about the British unity and mould its language. At a later date, reformation by the sword was brought about by Oliver Cromwell and his iron-fisted rule in England, by Napoleon in France, and by Commodore Perry and his fleet in Japan. In the case of the last-named, they had an example of how a hermit nation was awakened to a keen sense of reform by such intervention.

Mr. P. Sands, who spoke for the opposition, held that a reformer had done more to benefit mankind by his reasoned philosophy than the warrior. In effect, he said that mankind suffered from a contrariness which did not permit of its being reformed from the inside, still less by such rude methods as the warrior devised. The pattern of history had always shown that whereas the warrior was a destructive agent, the reformer was the architect, with means that were less wasteful, and certainly more economical, to bring about the required benefit for mankind.

Because of his higher ideals, Mr. Sands said, the reformer had done more for the benefit of his fellows. The late war had put the world back 50 years from the moral viewpoint.

Other speakers were Mr. L. A. Treves, who seconded the motion, and Mr. T. V. Harmon, who adopted the pacific views of the opposition. After a spirited discussion, in which others of the gathering participated, the motion was carried by a large majority. Rev. Mr. Horace Johnston presided over the gathering.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE.

### CAPITAL'S ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

Nanking, Apr. 18.  
A memorial service is being held this afternoon to commemorate the second anniversary of the establishment of the National Government at Nanking. Most of the Government organs closed today.—*Reuter.*

## CHINA AND JAPAN.

### THE HANKOW & NANKING INCIDENTS SETTLED.

Peking, Apr. 18.  
The Sino-Japanese agreement settling the Hankow and Nanking incidents has been initiated, but the terms are unknown.—*Reuter.*

## HUNAN FIGHTING.

### KWANGSI TROOPS IN ACTION AT HENGCHOW.

Shanghai, Apr. 18.  
A message from Hankow dated April 17 states that fighting above Shashi has been suspended for the time being pending further negotiations. A fresh outbreak of hostilities is considered unlikely as the position of Hu Tsung-lao's forces is most unfavourable and it is believed they will soon capitulate on the best terms obtainable.

Meanwhile, fighting is reported to have broken out at Hengchow in Southern Hunan. It is not clear whether the Kwangsi troops from the South are driving northward or that Ho Chien, in pursuance of orders from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, is endeavouring to drive the Kwangsi men from Hunan.

Hostilities have ceased at Changteh. The city has been occupied by Tan Tao-yuan and anxiety regarding foreigners has eased considerably. Lu Tsi-ping has taken over the duties of garrisoning Wuhan, relieving the sixth division which has proceeded to Nanking. All difficulties have been settled and the situation is quiet.—*Reuter.*

[An earlier message said that an effort was being made to evacuate foreign residents from Changteh. H. M. Consul from Changteh had left on a shallow draught tug, in which he expected to reach Changteh in two days.]

### To Retreat Westward.

Shanghai, Apr. 18.  
A message from Hankow says that the Wuhan rebels evacuated Machiasi, ten li from Shashi, last evening. Hu Tsung-lao and Tao Chun are still at Shashi and it is believed they will retreat westward.—*Reuter.*

## RAIL AND AIR.

### COMMITTEE APPROVES COMBINATION.

London, Apr. 18.  
An important step towards co-ordination of railways and air transport companies has been approved by a joint Parliamentary committee, which has unanimously approved Bills promoted by the railway companies seeking power to add air transport to the existing facilities.

The committee stipulated that the local authorities must be consulted with reference to the establishment of aerodromes. Sir Herbert Walker, the General Manager of the Southern Railway, explained that the companies conjointly with the air transport companies desired to provide services over the continental area and islands of Europe, west of a point twenty degrees east of Greenwich, this limitation being inserted at the instance of the Air Minister and Imperial Airways, to prevent competition beyond Warsaw and Budapest.

Sir Herbert Walker instanced the rail and sea journey to Berlin, which took twenty hours. By air it took 9 3/4 hours, and cost only fifty shillings more.—*Reuter.*

Amsterdam, Apr. 18.

The Paleis Voor Volksvult (the "Crystal Palace" of Amsterdam) has been completely destroyed by fire.—*Reuter.*

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## SHANGHAI COUNCIL.

### MR. H. E. ARNHOLD THE NEW CHAIRMAN.

Shanghai, Apr. 18.  
Mr. H. E. Arnhold has been elected Chairman of the Municipal Council in succession to Mr. Stirling Fessenden. Brigadier General Macnaghten has been elected Vice-Chairman.—*Reuter.*

## POSTAGE STAMPS.

### TO "COMMEMORATE UNIFICATION OF COUNTRY."

Nanking, Apr. 18.  
New postage stamps, bearing the picture of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, will shortly be issued "in commemoration of the unification of the country."—*Reuter.*

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**SHANGHAI PAPER BANNED.****THE "NORTH-CHINA" & THE KUOMINTANG.**

Nanking, Apr. 18. The Standing Committee of the Central Executive Council today discussed the attitude of the North-China Daily News, the leading British daily in China, and the Committee decided that the Daily News had been anti-Kuomintang and had deliberately attacked the Central Government despite repeated protests by the Foreign Ministry.

Therefore the Committee decided that strong representations should be made to the American Minister asking him to call on the American journalist, Mr. George Sokolsky, a contributor on Chinese affairs to the Daily News, to leave China.

In the meantime the Post Office will be instructed to refuse facilities to the Daily News, and the Customs will be ordered to prevent its circulation through bulk shipments from Shanghai by steamer.—Reuter.

**TO ALLAY FEARS.****FENG YU-HSIANG TO GO TO NANKING.**

Shanghai, Apr. 18.

The Kuo Min states that notwithstanding his physician's advice Feng Yu-hsiang is shortly to leave Hwasian, Shensi, for Nanking "in order to allay all fears and set the public mind at ease regarding rumours of impending conflict between his troops and the Government troops." The message adds that Feng Yu-hsiang's health has been steadily improving, but he has not yet sufficiently recovered to be able to resume active work.—Reuter.

**JAPAN RADICALS.****THREE HUNDRED ARRESTED IN EXTENSIVE RAID.**

Tokyo, Apr. 18.

Though publication is banned locally, it is learned that another round-up of alleged radicals throughout the country, totalling about 300, mainly students, was carried out on the night of April 15. It is understood that action was due to information obtained by an examination of those arrested in last year's round up and was not due to any new intrigue.—Reuter.

**"SOUTHERN CROSS."****PLANE ABLE TO TAKE THE AIR AGAIN.**

(Sydney, Apr. 18.)

Capt. Kingsford Smith and his companions have landed in Derby, Western Australia, in the "Southern Cross."—Reuter.

(Capt. Kingsford Smith and Mr. Ulm, trans-Pacific fliers, and two companions, came down near Wyndham (W.A.) after leaving Sydney on a non-stop flight to that place, and were lost in the "wilds" for about a fortnight.)

**INDIAN SERGEANT FINED.****DEPARTMENTAL TRIAL ON TWO COUNTS.**

A fine of \$30 with the alternative of three weeks' hard labour was imposed by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on Barkat Ali, an Indian Sergeant in charge of the Kowloon Water Works Sub Station who was convicted of being absent from duty at 9.50 a.m. on April 10. Two other counts which were originally preferred against the accused were withdrawn for departmental treatment.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared for the defence at yesterday's hearing, the case for the prosecution being in the hands of Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, A.S.P., Kowloon.

In reply to his Worship, who mentioned that he was entitled to give evidence of character, Mr. Calthrop described the defendant's record as "disgraceful."

Answering Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Calthrop said that the defendant would not receive any further penalty in addition to that which his Worship might impose. He would, however, be dealt with departmentally on the other two charges; that of being absent from the Station without leave and of being under the influence of liquor while in uniform.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$30 or three weeks' hard labour in default.

**U.S. STEAMERS.****BIDS CALLED FOR TWO SHIPPING LINES.**

Washington, Apr. 18.

The Shipping Board announces that bids will open on May 22 for the sale of the American Diamond Line and American-France Line.

Their disposal, with a prospective sale of the American Republics Line and Gulf-Mediterranean Line, will leave the Board with only 162 vessels compared with 2536 ships at the end of the war.—Reuter's American Service.

**CHEFOO SITUATION.****NATIONALISTS LIKELY TO REGAIN CONTROL.**

Peking, Apr. 18.

Reports from foreign sources state that the family of Chang Chung-chang left Chefoo for Dairen on April 16.

It is expected Chang will shortly follow. Chefoo again falling into Nationalist hands.—Reuter.

**AUSTRALIAN COAL.****DEADLOCK AT MEETING OF MASTERS AND MEN.**

Sydney, Apr. 18.

A conference of mine-owners and miners which is considering the Australian coal situation, has reached a deadlock over the miners' suggestion for reopening the mines and for the future conduct of the industry, and has adjourned sine die.—Reuter.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 18th April, 1929.

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MANTUA	10,946	27th Apr.	Bombay, M'les & London
NAOPORE	5,243	4th May	M'les, London, Hull, A'werp, Rotterdam & Hamburg
KIDDERPORE	5,334	8th May	Straits & Bombay
KALYAN	9,144	11th May	Marseilles, L'don & Hull
MOREA	10,953	23rd May	Bombay, M'les & London
LAHORE	5,252	1st June	Marseilles, London, A'werp, Rotterdam & Hamburg
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TALAMBA	8,018	21st May	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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TALAMBA	8,018	28th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
IPERIM	7,648	6th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TALMA	10,000	7th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka
TANDA	6,956	7th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
DELTA	8,097	10th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ROSSINGTON COURT	—	14th May	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
—	—	22 May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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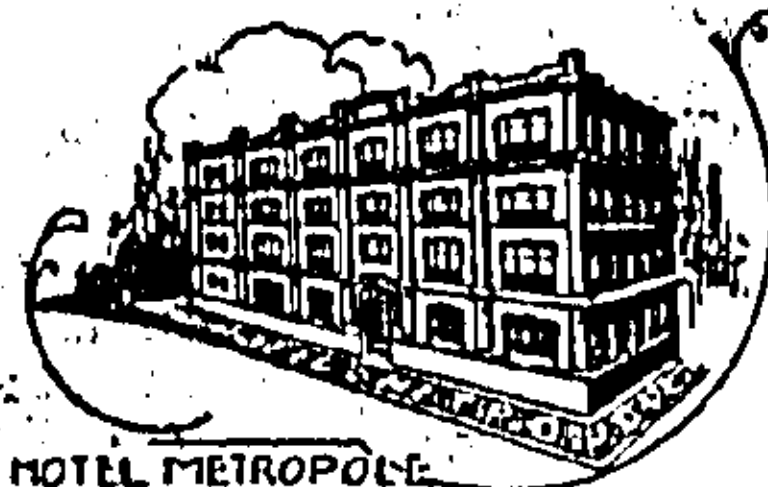


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### LINER AGROUND ON EDDYSTONE.

"PARIS" REFLOATED DURING HIGH TIDE.

### ARRIVES IN PLYMOUTH

London, Apr. 18. During a fog in the English Channel this morning, the great French liner "Paris" drifted out of her course and ran on to Eddystone Rock, only a few yards from the famous Eddystone Lighthouse.

The vessel which is over 34,000 tons gross, and 734 feet in length, was on her way from Harve to New York, and was calling at Plymouth as customary en route.

Wireless messages were sent out to the shore immediately the liner grounded, and a number of tugs were hastily despatched to the scene.

It was comparatively low tide when the "Paris" ran ashore, however, and as it rose rapidly, the ship was re-floated, and made immediately for Plymouth under her own steam.

She reached Plymouth in the middle of the afternoon instead of nine o'clock this morning. It is not yet certain whether the liner is badly damaged or otherwise. An examination will be made and repairs effected before she leaves for the States.

The passengers say there was no great excitement, certainly no panic, while the crew displayed wonderful discipline.—British Wireless.

### CORPORAL DUNCAN INJURED.

BOXING CAREER MOST LIKELY ENDED.

An accident of a serious nature occurred on board H.M.S. Kent yesterday morning, as a result of which Corporal Duncan, Royal Marines, had his right hand badly crushed. He was operated upon at the Naval Hospital this morning, and according to latest information, is getting on as well as can be expected.

Corporal Duncan, it is understood, came by his injuries when, in operating an ammunition hoist, during "action" drill, his hand got caught in the apparatus. The injuries were of such a serious nature that an operation was necessary. What the precise nature of the operation was, has not yet been ascertained, but in any case it is stated that the injury received will most likely debar Corporal Duncan from further boxing, and thus terminate a fine career in the fist art.

### RADIUM BUYING AGENCY.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S NEW ORGANISATION.

London, Apr. 18. In the House of Commons to-day, the Minister of Health, in reply to a question, stated that the Government proposed to establish an organisation one of whose functions would be to act as an agency for the purchase of radium for medical use in this country or the Dominions and Colonies.

Until that had been established and experience had shown what its uses were, it would be premature to consider international action regarding radium; as was suggested.—British Wireless.

### PARDON PROMISED HABIBULLAH.

"AS ONE MUSLIM BROTHER TO ANOTHER."

Peshawar, Apr. 19. In view of the heavy fighting, Nadir Khan has written to Habibullah "as one Muslim brother to another" assuring him of a full and honourable pardon if Amanullah or any other member of the Royal Family returns to the Throne.

This assurance is made provided Habibullah avoids involving the country in disaster or loss of life and property.—Putter.

### DUTCH BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

TO BE GRANTED YEAR'S SUBSIDY.

The Hague, Apr. 18. The Second Chamber, by 48 votes to 43, has adopted a Bill granting a bonus to the Dutch beet sugar industry for the year September, 1929, to September, 1930, not exceeding 1½ florins per hundred kilograms.

It is estimated that the grant will cost the Government four million florins.—Reuter.

### WORLD FLYWEIGHT CHAMPION.

GENARO KNOCKED OUT BUT WINS ON FOUL.

### PLADNER HITS LOW.

Paris, Apr. 18.

In a return contest for the fly-weight championship of the world under the auspices of the International Boxing Union, Frankie Genaro (U.S.A.) defeated Emile Pladner (France) in the fifth round, Pladner being disqualified.

Pladner had a brief reign as the champion. He knocked out Genaro in the first round of their contest in March in rather curious circumstances, Genaro falling with his hands crossed behind his back. He was unable to unravel himself before he was counted out.

To-night's fight was one of the most unsatisfactory world title fights in recent years. Genaro attacked strongly from the first and his sparring tactics effectively kept the fight at close quarters where Pladner did not shine.

Pladner seemed sluggish and unenterprising, and was behind on points.

The first four rounds owing to the frequent clinches were uneventful, but Genaro opened the fifth with a right to the jaw. Pladner countered with a terrific punch, flooring Genaro with a beautiful uppercut with his right. Genaro rose on a count of nine, but Pladner, whether over anxious to finish off

### HELP FOR BRITISH MINERS.

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the bout, or whether he suffered a lapse of judgment, shot palpably low a right hook, greatly painning the American, who was counted out.

The three judges, however, gave the verdict to Genaro on a foul.—Reuter.

### MURDER OF GIRLS RECALLED.

FOKI ON CAPITAL CHARGE AT MAGISTRACY.

A grim affair of a month ago, when two young girls, daughters of a boatman, were murdered and a young boy seriously injured by, it is alleged, a foki who were with them in a dinghy, is recalled by the arrest of the foki in Canton.

At the time of the tragedy, the father of the girls, worried by their lengthy absence ashore, dispatched a dinghy, with a foki in charge, to bring his children back to his boat. Later the dinghy was found floating in the harbour, with the mutilated remains of one

### "BRIDGE MADE EASY."

New "Telegraph" Feature Starts To-day.

The Telegraph's new bridge feature, entitled "Bridge Made Easy," starts to-day. The first of the series, by W. W. Wentworth, will be found on Page 6 of this issue. The articles will henceforth appear daily.

The series first goes into the basic principles of bidding, following which various other aspects of play will be dealt with.

of the girls, while the remains of the other girl were also picked up from the harbour. The young boy was picked up by the steamer Hellas, and he told a story of the foki having run amuck and attacked them all with choppers, while they were returning in his dinghy. The foki was arrested the other day in Canton, after having been missing since the night of the murder. He was produced at the Central Magistracy this morning, and, after being charged with the capital crime, was formally remanded for a week.

### SMALL-POX RISK DIMINISHED.

RIGOROUS BRITISH ACTION EFFECTIVE.

### INDIAN STATISTICS.

London, Apr. 18.

Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons to-day that official confirmation had been received of the suspension by the French Government of the order requiring visitors from England to have been vaccinated within the preceding two months.

Referring to the cause of the order, namely, the outbreak of small-pox aboard the Tuscania, which arrived at Glasgow on April 1st, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Minister of Health, said the number of cases among 1,538 passengers and crew was 450. There had been seven deaths. All the patients had been isolated in hospital and all contacts were being kept under supervision.

The rigorous action taken in this country to prevent the spread of small-pox from the Tuscania appeared to have proved effective. As the ship arrived seventeen days ago, any serious risk of a widespread outbreak of the disease was now at an end, though it was possible that some secondary cases might arise.—British Wireless.

### Indian Cases.

A reply to a question in the House of Commons revealed the fact that there were 233 cases of small-pox in Bombay city, with 130 deaths, between January 1st and February 16th.

There were no later official figures, but it was reported that 368 had died between January 1st and March 18th.

Regarding the whole of India, 19,629 cases and 4,821 deaths occurred between January 1st and February 16th, these rates being approximately the same as for 1928.—Reuter.

### Mayor's Determination.

Paris, Apr. 18. According to Le Matin, the Mayor of Havre has declared that he himself will apply the health measure to travellers from England in the event of the Government not doing so immediately.

A Mrs. Fortescue, from Bombay who landed at Marseilles from the Tuscania, has been sent to hospital in Paris suffering from small-pox.—Reuter.

### London's 218 Cases.

London, Apr. 18. Altogether 218 cases of small-pox were being treated in Greater London this morning, compared with 202 yesterday morning. No further cases from the Tuscania have been reported since April 12.

Passengers on the Southampton-Havre steamer had an anxious night, as they were informed at Southampton that the mayor of Havre was enforcing the vaccination order, but were not bothered on landing. It is learned that the mayor changed his mind just before the arrival of the steamer.—Reuter.

### ANOTHER FRENCH SCANDAL.

PROMINENT PEOPLE SENT TO PRISON.

Paris, Apr. 19.

Twenty-seven persons have been tried by the Correctional Court here for illicitly procuring Government stamps for 100,000 Hungarian bonds, thus giving them greater immediate value and preferential treatment under the Reparations Scheme.

The Viennese banker, Josef Blumenstein; the French Consul, M. Lacaze; and nine others were sentenced to two years' imprisonment and fined Frs. 3,000, whilst four others were sentenced to a year's imprisonment and fines of Frs. 1,000.

Two others got eight months' sentences, with the benefit of the First Offenders' Act, whilst ten were acquitted.—Reuter.

### THE KING'S PROGRESS.

SPENDS MORE TIME OUT OF DOORS.

London, Apr. 18.

H.M. the King, passed another good day.

During the morning, the weather cleared and the sun shone brilliantly. His Majesty spent the whole morning in the grounds, and after his usual afternoon rest, he spent another hour in the grounds in the late afternoon.—British Wireless.

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